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China Wins a Round At Rights Conference **Unofficial Delegations Are Barred** From Drafting of Final Document

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service
VIENNA — In what was seen as a victory for China's campaign to limit international monitoring of human rights, nongovernmental organizations attending the World Conference on Human Rights were ejected Wednesday from the committee drafting the meeting's final document.

The nongovernmental organizations, which include such powerful groups as Amnesty international, protested angely that the United Nations had allowed itself to be brow-beaten by China's threat to boycott the drafting committee if independent human rights representatives were present.

"A number of delegates told us that China said it would have trouble participating if nongovernmental organizations were pre-sent," said Reed Brody, a representative of the International Human Rights Law Group, who has been assigned to the drafting com-mittee. "The Chinese said, 'We don't need baby-sitters."

China is perhaps the most outspoken of a group of Asian countries that accuse the West of trying to impose its human rights values on regions with different religious and cultural traditions and that object to moves to strengthen the United Nations' authority to denounce human rights abuses.

Already last week, China infuriated the nongovernmental organizations when it per-suaded the United Nations to ban the Dalai Lama from addressing human rights groups

After strong Western pressure, the Tibetan leader was finally allowed to speak to a crowd

By Kevin Murphy

TAIPEI — Its foreign exchange reserves stood at more than \$80 billion at last count,

more than those of any other nation, but Tai-

hedge against the economic changes may are forcing it to rethink its future.

In the very early days, we hardly had any

foreign reserves," said Tsui Tsu-kan, vice-chair-man of Taiwan's Council for Economic Plan-

ning and Development. "What was most important was whether a measure would save

"Thirty years ago, who would have thought of pollution, shortages of labor or that we would have accumulated these reserves?" be

asked. "Who would have thought that every

person is now allowed to remit as much as \$5

Taiwan and the other vigorous Asian "tiger"

economies are a prime reason manufacturing

jobs are rapidly disappearing across Europe and North America. The starting success of its

combination of hard work, cheap labor and government emphasis on economic develop-

ment in policy-making has presented the West

with some difficult choices. But Taiwan has little time to rest on its laurels.

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on the grounds of the United Nations com-plex Tuesday.

"At a time when the UN should be exercising leadership in advancing human rights, it shows itself to be preoccupied with the sensibiffites of its most abusive governments," said Kenneth Roth, acting executive director of the New York-based Human Rights Watch. By succumbing to this blackmail, the UN sinks to the level of its most repressive mem-

In presenting Beijing's formal position to the conference Tuesday evening however, the Chinese deputy foreign minister, Lin Huaqiu, made no effort to apologize for his government's tough stance, noting that when it comes to human rights "other countries have no right to interfere."

He also reiterated his government's view that economic development was the most important "human right" of any developing country. "The argument that human rights is the precondition for development is un-founded," he said, adding that individual rights could never prevail over those of the state and society.

China's hard-line speech came as no surprise to Western delegates, but its successful move to clear independent human rights groups from the drafting committee signaled that it also hoped to achieve many of its objectives in the closed negotiations on the

This document is theoretically to be adopted by consensus, but Western governments led by the United States have warned that they will not accept "the lowest common

crament intervention in industrial and economic planning have transformed Taiwan from a

place of eathe or refuge for the losers of China's

civil war in 1949 into a manufacturing power-

Now, however, a complex matrix of factors is

loosening the grip of government technocrats on the nation of 20 million people and challeng-

ing business to build on previous successes or lose out to regional competitors.
"I'm confident Taiwan will be able to re-

structure and take on its competition," said Jon Ross, head of HG Asia Securities in Taipei.

A rising political consciousness among a population looking for increased rewards for its

decades of hard labor, as well as a split in the

Knomintang, the governing party, over how to handle the lure of doing business with its nem-esis on the Chinese mainland are making the

lives of planners like Mr. Tsui more complicat-

In 1951, Taiwan's gross national product was

\$1.2 billion, which worked out to \$145 per person. Forty years later, its GNP hit \$161 billion, or \$6,880 per person, after growth that averaged 8.7 percent a year for four decades. Now, Taiwan is the world's 14th largest trad-

ing nation and its 20th largest economy, and it

still growing while larger rivals stumble. But can Taiwan move still more quickly to

head of new rivals in developing economies

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improve living conditions at home and stay

But it could be a rough transition period.

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Taiwan Hunts for a Sequel

To Economic Success Story



A Cambodian boy marching Wednesday with French Foreign Legionnaires, who were finishing a six-month tour as UN peacekeepers.

Cambodian Rivals Agree to Share Power

By Philip Shenon New York Tonus Service PHNOM PENH — Cambodia's two major political parties agreed Wednesday to put aside years of savagery to share power in an interim government that will almost certainly be led by

Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the nation's 70year-old former monarch.

The power-sharing arrangement between the political arm of the incumbent. Vietnameseinstalled government and the royalist opposition party likely means an end, for now, to the chaos that last week produced a secessionist movement among several eastern provinces and the threat of an expanded civil war.

Under the agreement brokered by Prince Sihanouk, the interim government will rule Cambodia until the newly elected National Assembly drafts a constitution. The announcement Wednesday suggested a significant backing down by one of Prince Siba-nouk's sons, Prince Norodom Rapariddh, the president of the opposition party that won last month's internationally supervised elections. Last week Prince Ranariddh rejected a simi-

lar arrangement for an interim government, saying he could never work with the incumbent prime minister, Hun Sen. Prince Ranariddh accused Mr. Hun Sen of involvement in a campaign of violent intimidation, including assassinations, directed against his opposition party, United National Front for an Independent. Neutral, Peaceful and Cooperative Camhodia, which is known by its French acronym, Funcinpec.

Under the arrangement announced Wednesday, however, Prince Ranariddh and Mr. Hun Sen will share powers equally as co-presidents, with Prince Sihanouk retaining his position as In statements released by the royal palace, Prince Sihanouk, who returned to Cambodia in 1991 after spending most of two decades in evile, said that because of "health problems and problems with certain foreign personalities," be would not preside over the interim government.

The "personalities" appeared to be a reference to members of the diplomatic corps in Pnom Penh, especially U.S. diplomats, and United Nations peacekeepers who had questioned the appropriateness of establishing any new government until a constitution is written. Under his first plan for an interim government, Prince Sihanouk would have become prime

Whatever Prince Sihanouk's claims, few in Prom Penh doubted Wednesday that he would have the final say in the new government, and See SHARE, Page 6

Kohl's Answer To Violence: An Appeal for 'Friendliness'

But Chancellor Rejects Dual Citizenship, and He Assails Foreign Press

By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service

BERLIN - Chancellor Helmut Kohl, under pressure to give Germany's 6 million foreign residents a sense of security amid rising xeno-phobic violence, appealed Wednesday for kind-ness toward foreigners but rejected demands that they be granted dual citizenship.

In his first major address since a neo-Nazi arson attack last month in Solingen in which five Turkish women and girls were killed, Mr. Kohl told parliament and a national television audience that the notion that Germany was unfriendly to foreigners was an unjust preju-

Mr. Kohl repeated his opposition to allowing Turks and other long-term foreign residents to hold two passports, but he said that Germany's 80-year-old citizenship law should be revised so make it easier for foreigners whose families have lived here for two or three generations to become German citizen In a debate following Mr. Kohl's speech, the

leader of the opposition Social Democrats. Jo-hannes Rau, called for a redefinition of German citizenship, which is now based on German ethnicity.

"Anyone born here is not our guest, but should be a citizen with equal rights and obligations," Mr. Rau said, "We must finally put an end to the sham that we have nothing to do with

Germany has no immigration law; foreigners enter the country only as "guest workers," refu-gees or visitors. Mr. Kohl made no mention of legalizing immigration.
Instead, he asked Germans to make foreign.....

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"I know, friendliness cannot be ordered up," Mr. Kohl said, "Unfortunately, some Germans nowadays have difficulty showing friendliness from the heart. Decency and dignity have be-

come foreign words for some."

Mr. Kohl proudly reeled off statistics showing that Germany last year took in 79 percent of all refugees seeking political asylum in the 12country European Community. And Germany bas accepted more than 300,000 refugees from the war in the Balkans, more than any other "We haven't the slightest reason to shy away

from international comparison," he said, Mr. Kohl then departed from his text and angrily criticized foreign-press reporting about Germa-ny's treatment of foreigners, saying that "those who write in foreign countries about us should first compare what we have done for refugees with their own countries."

Mr. Kohl defended efforts by German police and prosecutors to fight anti-foreigner crime. Prosecutors last year conducted more than 1.500 convictions in such cases.

12,000 investigations into rightist extremist and anti-foreigner crime, while courts delivered He also said that Germany should relax its

strict privacy laws to allow law-enforcement agencies to share information about radicals. The hands of the police are tied until a crime has been committed, with the absurd result that they must wait for the fires," be said. Things have reached a point that no longer

permits such waiting." While Mr. Kohl argued that xenophobia was not a specifically German problem, but part of a tendency toward violence in Western society, Germany's top law enforcement official said that the country must face up to "the latent racism in our society. "We must discard our picture of anti-foreign-

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Nigeria Blocks Announcement Of Vote Results

By Kenneth B. Noble

New York Times Sornee
LAGOS — Nigeria's planned return to civilian rule was virtually halted Wednesday when a
commission appointed by the country's miltary leaders indefinitely suspended last Saturday's presidential elections.

The decision came amid growing indications that the candidate of the Social Democratic party, Moshood K.O. Abiola, was well on own his way to a resounding triumph over his rival, Bashir Othman Tofa of the National Republican Convention.

The vote had been heralded by many Nigerians as a historic crossroads, marking the end of nearly a decade of military rule in black Africa's most populous nation. Moreover, it was only the third time since the country gained independence from Britain in 1960 when its president was slated to rise to office through the ballot box and not an army uprising.

But even before Wednesday's action, there had been considerable skepticism among opposition leaders and even some ordinary Nigerians over whether the country's military leader, General Ibrabim Babangida, was genuinely committed to democratic rule.

Beko Ransome-Kuri, chairman of the committee for the defense of human rights, said Wednesday that the suspension of the elections was of the "gravest concern" to his group, and added that he had long suspected that General Babangida was purposefully forestalling the transition to civilian rule.

Mr. Ransome said the general had "always had a hidden agenda" to remain in power. General Babangida has postponed the scheduled date for a civilian takeover three times since 1990. Moreover, the military authorities have annulled a number of gubernatorial and

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Democrats Draft A U.S. Fuel Tax WASHINGTON (AP)

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Democratic tax writers in the Senate agreed Wednesday on higher taxes on motor fuels, the well-to-do and many Social Security recipients as part of a deficit-reduction plan that backs away from elements of President Bill

Clinton's proposal.

Senators declined to give de-tails on the fuel tax, although aides said the final debate had centered on an increase of 4 to 41/2 cents a gallon.

The accord, among the 11 Democrats on the Finance Committee, cleared the way for action on the plan by the 20-member panel on Thursday or Friday.

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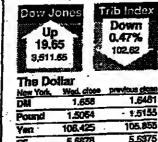
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A German levitating train might Page 11. first run in Florida.

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Fighting raged elsewhere in Bosnia despite a truce accord to take effect on Friday. Page 2.

KEEPING DRY — British UN soldiers taking shelter from the rain Wednesday while on watch in Nova Bila, at the front line between the Muslim town of Travnik and the Cross town of Vitez.

East Asians Wary of Ostpolitik

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune
KUALA LUMPUR — East Asian na-

tions, which have long seen Germany as the guardian of an economically outward-looking Europe, have watched with concern as the mounting costs of reunification weaken the Now, as European Community leaders

prepare to examine closer relations with Eastern Europe at a meeting opening Monday in Copenhagen, Asian officials and analysts foresee an even more dangerous form of Ost-

This would occur if, as seems likely, the EC first resists, but then is forced to offer, extensive preferential trade and additional financial assistance to former Communist countries in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union to forestall social chaos and an uncontrollable wave of economic migrants into Western Europe.

As seen from Asia, the inevitable consequence of such a development would be a major diversion of European aid, trade and investment away from the Asia-Pacific re-

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Closing the Smoky Dump

By Bruce Lambert New York Times Service

TONDO, Philippines - Anywhere else, the closing of a garbage dump would be an occa-sion for local residents to rejoice.

But here at the internationally infamous Smoky Mountain, thousands of people live in the dump and survive by scavenging its fetid rubble. Now that Smoky Mountain is being closed, they are apprehensive about losing homes and livelihoods, no matter how squalid and demeaning these may seem.

"Where will I live, what will I do?" said Tony Santos, 49, who has supported his wife and four children by scavenging for 20 years. Stooping in the sizzling sun, he probed the stinking refuse with a long metal hook looking for old cans, scraps of paper, pieces of plastic and shards of glass that bring about \$3 a day.

Smoky Mountain is to be bulldozed away soon, and there are to be no more squatters or

On May 1, President Fidel V. Ramos announced the closing of the dump, the site to be uansformed into a commercial and residential development on Manila Bay. Because the \$130 million project includes promises of new jobs

and homes for many of the 13,000 dump dwellers, their fears wrestle with cautions hopes.

"If this is not just for publicity I think it is good," Gina Jerusalem said. "But if we are ticked out for the development, we don't want it." Her family of six pays about \$11 a month for their one-room squatter's home, with no electricity or water.

Philippine officials have been especially sensitive about Smoky Mountain since it became a standard stop for foreign journalists, who projected it around the world as an appalling symbol of this nation's poverty. By the government's own figures, a staggering 55 percent of Filipinos live in poverty.

"We want to crase the image that we could not do anything for our urban poor," said Zonia Galvez, an architect and housing anthor-

ity coordinator on the project. Under a plan that originated with Corazon C. Aquino, Mr. Ramos's predecessor as president, part of the site will be used for an incinerator, separating recyclable material and sending the incinerated residue to a landfill to be buried.

Temporary apartments are to be built for See DUMP, Page 6

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BLANTYRE Malawi - Malawians have voted solidly to reject President Hastings Kamuzu Banda's one-party rule and support multiparty democracy, according to official results Wednesday.

Brown Chimphamba, chairman of the commission that ran Monday's nonbinding referendum, announced on state radio that 63 pereent favored a Western-style multiparty system.

Thousands of people poured out of shops, offices and factories in this industrial ceoter after the announcement. Most flashed "V for victory" signs with their hands, symbol of the opposition move-

Women danced on street corners and cars, trucks and buses sped through city streets with blaring horns and cheering, whistling occu-

The police watched the celebrating impassively.
"We're on their side," said one officer, elutching a batoo in one

sign with the other. ans if they preferred the one-party system Mr. Banda imposed after taking power at independence from Britain in 1964, or wanted a multiparty democracy.

Officials of opposition groups said they would meet Friday with Mr. Banda's ruling Malawi Congress Party to discuss the referen-dum result and what should hap-

The two leading opposition groups — the Alliance for Democracy and the United Democratic Front - called on Mr. Banda to form a coalition government of national unity or resign.
It was unclear how Mr. Banda

believed to be in his 90s, would react to losing the referendum. The government has rejected a coalition leadership, saying it would remain in power until elections. Under the constitution, the cext cational elections do not have to be held until

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An American soldier passing a cigarette across concertina wire to a young Somali near a guard post in Mogadishu

in a few days.

Food Trucks Are Rolling Again in Mogadishu

MOGADISHU, Somalia - Trucks rolled out of Mogadishu port on Wednesday, sig-naling the resumption of relief operations halted a week ago in preparation for air raids

Three trucks, cheered by a crowd of Soma lis, ferried 90 tons to the northern part of Mogadishu for distribution to food centers that were closed last week.

Mike French, an official of the UN World Food Program, said relief operations also would resume soon in the southern part of the

city, where the United Nations has been locked in battle with forces led by General Mohammed Farah Aidid. He said the program would reach other parts of the country

Meanwhile, General Aidid's supporters continued anti-UN demonstrations. About 1,000 of the warlord's supporters shouting anti-UN slogans gathered at July 1 Square for the third straight day. Relief operations were shut down in much

of the country after 23 Pakistani soldiers of the UN peacekeeping operation were killed

on June 5. General Aidid's forces were widely held responsible for the deaths.

On Wednesday, seven relief agencies were set to reopen their offices in the Somali capital. Their return was announced after a meeting with the UN special envoy to Somalia, Admiral Jonathan Howe, who diplomats said agencies them and the second seven and the second sec

told aid agencies there would be no more punitive strikes against General Aidid.
On Saturday, U.S. AC-130 warplanes began three days of attacks hy bombing General Aidid's arms dumps and depots. (Reuters, AFP)

Serbs and Croats Plan Bosnian Partition

GENEVA - Bosnia's Muslims were isolated Wednesday at peace work on a joint blueprint for the

country's ethnic partition.
President Franjo Tudiman of
Croatia said that a radical reworking of the Vance-Owen plan was

being negotiated.

"The Croatian and Serbian sides have undertaken to prepare over the next days proposed changes to Owen plan, which would have dithe maps and the constitutional principles embodied in the Vance-Owen plan." Mr. Tudjman said at a

Mr. Tudiman's declaration made by the mediators, diplomats say the

it clear that the plan formulated by Lord Owen, the European Community's representative, and Cyrus R. Vance, the United Nations me-

diator, was a dead letter.
President Alija Izetbegovic of
Bosnia, a Muslim, said he had walked out of the talks. It was not clear, however, whether he had re-

Croatian homes and shops by Musvided Bosnia into 10 semiautonomous provinces, is seen as a loose confederation of ethnic ministates. Under that solution, long resisted

Mr. Tudiman said the talks would resume Thursday at a lower

level before the leaders gathered

again in about a week.
In fighting Wednesday, Bosnian Muslim forces seized the town of Kakanj from Croatians, winning a second major objective in their two-week offensive in central Bosnia, the Croatian command said. UN observers said the looting of

lims had turned the central Bosnian valley between Kakanj and the Muslim stronghold of Zenica into an "open-air supermarket."

Veso Vegar, spokesman for the
Croatian Militia Army, said Kakanj had fallen to Muslim Bosnians

on Monday, touching off an exo-dus of 12,000 refugees toward Cro-atian-held Vares. Muslim forces overwhelmed the provincial seat of Travnik last week

n their first major victory of the There were these related devel-

opments on Wednesday: UN Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali ruled out lifting a UN arms embargo to help the Muslims. He said that allowing arms to go to one side in the three-way civil war would put the UN peacekeeping operation in Bosnia in an untena-

ble position and jeopardize the UN humanitarian effort. • Pope John Paul II plans to query the Bosnian government on a possible visit to Sarajevo, the Vati-

 The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade officially barred Yugoslavia, now comprising just Serbia and Montenegro. The world trade body's council followed the lead of the UN General Assembly and ruled that Serbia and Montenegro had no automatic right to the membership of the former six-republic Yugoslavia. (Reuters, AP)

Yugoslav Dinar A Million to \$1

BELGRADE - The black market exchange rate for the Yugoslav dinar reached a mil-lion to the U.S. dollar on

The currency's plunge was reflected in a government de-cision to devalue the dinar again, which the Tanjug news agency said would be pegged at 700,000 to the Deutsche

The figure is slightly above the current black market rate and 10 times more than the largely meaningless official exchange rate.

The \$1 to a million dinar ceiling broke a few hours after the government of what remains of Yugoslavia agreed on a draft budget allocating three-quarters of all expendi-

Tampering Did Not Occur At Its Plants, Pepsi Insists

NEW YORK — Responding to reports of syringes and needles being found in Pepsi cans, Pepsi-Cola's U.S. chief said Wednesday that it was virtually impossible for any tampering to have occurred at

The Food and Drug Administration is investigating at least a dozen complaiots of possible tampering, and at least one person has been arrested on charges of making a false report. People in 19 states have reported finding syringes and hypodermic needles in Pepsi cans over the last week, according to police and media reports.

Pepsi's North American division president and chief executive.

Craig Weatherup, appearing on television Wednesday, was asked whether he was positive that tampering had not occurred in the

He said: "I can't give you a 100 percent guarantee, but I would assure you it is 99.99 percent assured that nothing is happening in the facilities themselves, in the plants. It's literally, physically impossible." Pepsi produces about 30 million cans a day, he added.

WORLD BRIEFS

Pakistan Raids Fail to Trap Suspect

QUETTA, Pakistan (Reuters) — Pakistani militiamen raided houses across this western city in a fruitless dawn hunt for a man wanted in connection with the shootings of two CIA employees in the United States, government officials said Wednesday.

The militiamen were accompanied in their search for Mir Aimal Kansi. The militiamen were accompanied in their search for Mir Aimal Kansi. 28, by at least five Americans whom local officials described as FBI appeals mitnesses exist Mr. Kansi fled to Pakistan after the killing of the contract of th

agents, witnesses said. Mr. Kansi fled to Pakistan after the killing of two agents, witnesses said. Mr. Kansi lied to rakistan after the kining of two employees of the Central Intelligence Agency and the wounding of three other people outside the spy agency's headquarters in Langley, Virginia, just outside Washington, on Jan. 25, the officials said.

Officials in Washington identified Mr. Kansi as the suspect after an assault rifle found in his apartment was identified in FBI ballistics tests as

the weapon used in the shootings. He entered the United States illegally in March 1991 and was seeking political asylum at the time of the shootings, according to the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Haitians Face UN Blockade in Week

UNITED NATIONS, New York (AP) - The UN Security Council decided Wednesday to give the military rulers of Haiti one week to restore President Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power or face a blockade to cit off

the country's oil and weapons.

The council agreed on language that would clamp economic sanctions on Haiti effective June 23 unless democratic civilian rule was restored. Haiti's financial assets would be frozen worldwide. Shipments of oil gasoline and other fuels, as well as weapons, would be blocked on the seas. or overland from the Dominican Republic.

The Security Council set final consultations on the text Wednesday afternoon, and planned a formal meeting to adopt the resolution.

Ukraine Chief Assumes Wider Power

KIEV (AP) — President Leonid M. Kravchuk took over direct control of the Ukraine cabinet on Wednesday and gave broad economic powers to the prime minister.

to the prime minister.

The decree followed weeks of bickering between Mr. Kravchak and parliament and could embolden the opposition and a half-million smiters, mainly miners, who have demanded that he and the cabinet be replaced. He acted after lawmakers refused to approve parliamentary elections and a nationwide vote of confidence on the president. The decree calls for creation of a single cabinet committee, headed by Prime Minister Leonid S. Kuchma, to carry out "urgent management of the economy."

Azerbaijani Rebels Take a Key City

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Army rebels in Azerbaijan on Wednesday seized a further strategic point on the road to the capital, Baku, Russia's

The news agency said.

The news agency said insurgents loyal to a rebel colonel, Suret-Huseynov, seized control of the regional capital of Akhsu, 90 kilometers (55 miles) west of Baku, after traveling by a mountain road to go around

government troops.

President Ahulfaz Elchibey faced trouble on a separate front, according to the Turan news agency, which reported a major attack on Azerbaijani territory by ethnic Armenian forces from the disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh.

Aspin Tells of Deadly New Weapons

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The United States has "brilliant" new weapons — missiles and mines to destroy whole entire formations — that could crush any invasion and perhaps avoid conflicts like the Gulf War,

Defense Secretary Les Aspin said Wednesday.

He said the latest fire and forget, multiple warhead rockets and mines launched by aircraft, ships and ground troops could be spread over large areas and use their own internal sensors to seek and destroy concentra-

"For the first time, it appears possible that air and missile forces will be able to kill large numbers of armored vehicles quickly from air, land and sea," Mr. Aspin told graduates of the National Defense University.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Tokyo and Osaka Head Dollar List

GENEVA (AP) - Tokyo and Osaka are the most expensive cities for foreigners who spend dollars, while Moscow has jumped to the lifth most costly city worldwide. The Zimbabwe capital, Harare, and Bombay, ranked at the bottom of 99 major cities included in a survey.

The survey is published twice a year by a consulting firm, Corporate Resources Group. It is based on 151 products including food, clothing and transportation but not housing. It is often used by companies and governments to calculate living allowances for workers. The survey uses New York as its base of 100, putting that city 33d on the list.

l. Tokyo, 192. 2. Osaka, Japan, 180. 3. Libreville, Gabon, 137. 4. Brazzaville, Congo, 134.

6. Dakar, Senegal, 125. (tic) Douals, Cameroon, (tic) Oslo, 125. (tic) Taipei, 125. 10. Buenos Aires, 124.

American Express announced Wednesday the extension of its Membership Miles program to the American carrier USAir, which makes its frequent flier-mileage available on British Airways and a number of national airlines on the European continent. The Membership Miles program, under which one dollar of spending through an American Express card can be used to obtain one free mile of airline travel, is not available to cardholders who are hilled in dollars outside the United

Jordan said its tourism has recovered from the Gulf crisis and the number of visitors from Europe and the United States last year was close to records. Tourism in Jordan has pulled out of the effects of the crisis. Tourism Minister Yanal Hikmat said.

Britain announced plans for a new toll road, 27 miles (44 kilometers) in northwest England. It is designed to here motorists away from towns near Birmingham and ease congestion on the M6, one of the busiest in Europe. It carries up to 130,000 vehicles each day. (UPI)

Alitatia is halving fares on domestic flights to Florence and Pisa for the reopening of the Uffizi gallery. The offer is for anyone flying from an Italian airport to Florence or Pisa on Saturday or Sunday. The Culture Ministry said Wednesday that it would not charge admission to the world-renowned Renaissance art collection on Sunday as a sign of gratitude for the many offers of help it received after the bombing last

"Good Sansaritans" in Spain are taking advantage of American, Canadian and British tourists and others as they drive reated cars from the airport into Madrid, diplomats warn. The thieves follow them, paneture tires at an opportune moment and steal valuables while pretending to

The Japanese Transport Ministry plans to revamp air fare rules for international flights, allowing airlines to offer discount tickets to individual travelers, starting in April 1944. (Renters)

John Connally of Texas Dies at 76

By Richard Severo New York Times Service

NEW YORK - John B. Connally, 76, the former governor of Texas who served in two presidential administrations and who was wounded when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, died Tuesday in Houston of pulmonary

In the early 1970s, after switching from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party, Mr. Connally was briefly regarded as a serious contender for the presidency. Early in his political career, he was a

He was born in Floresville, Tex-

DEATH NOTICE Alan F. McHenry, President of Richard Louisbery Foundation, passed away in Garrison, New York on the

evening of June 11th, due to heart failure. He is survived by his wife, Claudine, and his two sons, Bruce and Richard. There will be a memorial service

protege of Lyndon B. Johnson and served as secretary of the navy in the Kennedy administration as well Sid W. Richardson, a wealthy oil as secretary of the Treasury under executive.

President Richard Nixon.

On Nov. 22, 1963, while serving his first term as governor, Mr. Connally was riding in Mr. Kennedy's open-topped limousine through the streets of Dallas and was wounded when the president was shot and

The bullet passed through his body, leaving him with scars on his back, chest, wrist and thigh

as, one of seven children of John Bowden Counally and the former Lela Wright. His father had been a cowboy, a barber and a grocer before turning to dairy farming and finally tenant farming.

He attended public schools and went to the University of Texas, where he received a bachelor's de-

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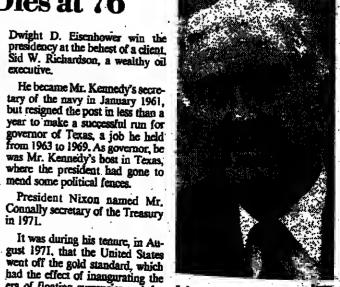
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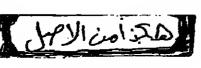
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STATESIDE / JUDICIAL CODE WORDS Judge Ginsburg's Credo: Facts and the Law

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Standing by President Bill Clinton's side Monday afternoon as the first Supreme Court nominee of a Democratic president in a generation, Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg relied on an unlikely source to explain her judicial philosophy to a public that knew her scarcely, if at all.

She approvingly quoted Chief Justice Wil-liam H. Reinquist, a bere noire to Demo-crats for most of that time, as saying that a good judge is bound to apply the facts and the law to come up with a decision, even if it is "not what the home crowd wants."

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It was a telling choice of a quotation that underscored Judge Ginsburg's own seemingly anomalous role as both an authentic heroine in the legal battle for women's rights and a prominent critic of what many see as the crowning accomplishment of that battle, the Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade that established a constitutional right to

Her criticism of the 1973 decision, repeated over the years but stated most notably in a lecture at New York University Law School three months ago, has somewhat discomfitted her home crowd of feminist lawyers and

other women's movement leaders.
Sound bites suggesting that her commitment to abortion rights is something less than unwavering have been the inevitable

The difference is not over the pitimate goal of a right to abortion fully anchored in the constitution and secure against political un-

denomining. Rather, Judge Ginsburg's lochire ity opinion took a different path, a theoretical long-remaing debate about whether that goal could have been better achieved by another sense of the next decade. another route, as a matter both of constitutional doctrine and judicial strategy, and over what lessons to draw from the torthous history of abortion rights in the last 20 years.
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Judge Ginsburg's critique of Roe is two-lold. First, she said in the lecture, as she has written for years, the right to abortion might

have been more secure had it been grounded in the concept of women's right to equality

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rather than in the right to privacy.

The Roc decision might have been less of a storm center, "she said, had it "homed in more precisely on the women's equality dimension of the issue."

Given the fact that the right to privacy has become little more than a code word for abortion in current political discourse, it might appear starting to divorce abortion from privacy and seek a home for abortion rights elsewhere in the constitution.

But the equality argument for abortion rights —essentially the notion that women camor participate in society equally with men without the ability to control their re-productive lives — was in fact part of the abortion-rights movement from its earliest

An equality argument was among the arguments presented to the court in Roe v. Wade.

Judge Ginsburg, who as a litigator arguing cases before the Supreme Court had helped create the modern constitutional law of women's equality, continued to press for equality. The argument at times because bit-ter because of a new element; the proposed equal rights amendment to the constitution.

Some leaders of the long and pltimately unsuccessful campaign for the amendment flected a more general approach to were concerned that too close a link between and to the development of the law. equality and abortion would pose a political threat to the equal rights amendment by driving away potential supporters who did not share the abortion-rights agenda.

inself that revised the equality basis for abortion rights in its raling last year in Planned between the states and the court.

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Marcy Wilder, senior staff attorney for the abortion-rights league, said in an interview rights.

adhering to the "core" of Roe was a sentence standard, that could have been written by Judge Gins- Ms. Wi

control their reproductive lives." The second part of Judge Ginsburg's cri-

Vade.

tique concerns the scope of Roe, and it is this avoided part that has made some abortion-rights tion side.

Judge Ginsburg has argued that by issuing a broad ruling that swept most state abortion laws off the books, the court created an inherently vulnerable precedent that led to a backlash and short-circuited a liberal trend then under way.

While her New York University lecture discussed Roe specifically, her critique reflected a more general approach to judging

"Measured motions seem to me right, in the main, for constitutional as well as common-law adjudication," she said. "Doctrinal not share the abortion-rights agenda. In any event, long after the equal rights amendment died, it was the Supreme Court opinion last year in Planned Parenthood v.

Among the reasons that Justices Sandra far and that Casey is progress, we have to Day O'Connor, Anthony M. Kennedy and know whether she's saying that a lesser stan-David H. Souter gave in their opinion for dard of protection for abortion is a better

Ms. Wilder said it was far from clear that most states would have liberalized their abortion laws significantly on their own. "The ability of women to participate equally in the economic and social life of the mation has been facilitated by their ability to NOW Legal Defense and Educational Fund, also took issue with the notion that a more gradual approach by the court might have avoided political fallout from the anti-abor-



Judge Rnth Bader Ginsburg, preparing for Senate hearings on her Supreme Court nomination, meeting with Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, left, and Joseph R. Biden Jr. of Delaware.

A Speedy Trial for Supreme Court Nominee?

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton has asked Senate leaders to try to confirm his high court nominee, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, within two months, and key Senate Judiciary Committee members signaled that an unisual expedited process might he put in

The senators - Joseph R. Biden, Democrat of Delaware; Orrin G. Hatch, Republican of Utah, and Strom Thurmond, Republican of South Carolina — indicated that Judge Ginsburg might indeed reach the bench before the Senate recesses Aug. 9, which would give her at least a month to prepare for the start of the new court term. Some of the most fractions cases already on the docket involve sexual harassment and other job discrimination, abortion-clinic protests and voting rights.

Clinton is Expected to Launch a Space Lab WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton has decided to push for

construction of a sophisticated, orbiting space laboratory that would make use of much of the technology already developed for the controversial space station Freedom, congressional aides said Tres-

day.

Mr. Clinton took pains to highlight the project's virtues at a news conference. The president promised a formal statement on the project within a few days. I do think it's important for us to recognize," the president said;

"that the space station offers us the potential of working with other nations and continuing our lead in a very important area, and having a significant technological impact."

Gay Pride at the Transportation Department, WASHINGTON.— The name of the inspectation gay pride went up at the Department of Transportation, and Secretary Federico F. Peña took a place underneath it. "We all know that gays and lesbians have served with dedication and excellence for decades."

and excellence for decades in this department," he told a crowd of several hundred federal workers, many of them homosexual, who had gathered for a kick-off celebration of Gay Pride Weck. Under this administration, Mr. Peha continued, "we will ensure that the fears we all share will diminish and tolerance will grow."

Mr. Pena was the first cabinet secretary in any administration to take part in the annual weeklong festival for Washington gays. (AP)

Senate Threatens Filibuster on Labor Bill

WASHINGTON — The House voted to prohibit employers from hiring permanent replacements for union members who strike, but Senate Republicans said they would stage a filibuster to kill the measure, organized labor's biggest legislative priority.

The same legislation passed the House last year but was killed by

filibuster in the Senate. Its prospects appear somewhat better this year, largely because President Bill Clinton favors the bill and could sway some crucial Democratic scuators.

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Roger Clinton, referring to his sister-in-law Hillary Rodham Clinton: "She had a Chicago upbringing and we had a Down South, Arkansas, Bible Belt upbringing. It was fried chicken and mashed potatoes versus a concrete wall." But now, he says, they have a good relationship.

(WP)

Away From Politics

 A 16th death possibly caused by a mysterious fin-like illness was reported. The death was announced by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, which did not disclose the location of the victim. Cases have been reported in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah, and most of the victims have lived

on or near the Navajo Indian reservation. A man who claims to have killed 72 people. Donald Leroy Evans, was captured in a lumber yard less than two days after he broke out of the county jail, officials in Gulfport, Mississippi, said.

An errant Minuteman-1 missile with a secret military payload was blown up during its launching and ignited a 500-acre (200-hectare) brush fire near the coastal rown if Casmalia, California, authorities

• The Southern Baptist Convention amended its constit the denomination the power to oust congregations that condone homosexuality. The group is the largest American Protestant denomination, with 15 million members.

• A 6-year-old girl in Dania, Florida, was killed when she stood in front of an oncoming train because she wanted to be in heaven for her terminally ill mother, authorities said.

• Three teenagers were convicted of murdering Patrick Daly, a revered elementary school principal who was slain when he walked into the crossfire of a gun battle in a Brooklyn, New York, housing

 South Carolina's highest court upheld by a 3-to-2 vote the constitu-tionality of a local ordinance under which nearly 50 street preachess were jailed in May for shooting their sermons and accosting people. AP, AFP, WP, NYT

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Renegade Senator Stirs Up Democrats

By Clifford Krauss

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — At home in Oklahoma, Senator David L. Boren was once portrayed by newspaper cartoonists as the Pilisbury Doughboy. In the clockrooms of the Senate, he was missed as a glad-hander who craved approval more than power.

That was before Senator Boren went on a

diet and reassessed his career after the death of his father, an irreverent Democratic congressman who rebelled against Franklin Roosevelt. Then the senator took on President Bill Clinton's economic package. More than any other member of Congress, it

was Mr. Boren who forced Mr. Clinton to abandon his broad tax on the energy content of fuels. First he threatened to withhold his swing vote on the Senate Finance Committee, and then, breaking a rule of congressional conduct,

he forcefully lobbied House Democrats.
Further embarrassing the president and infuriating his Democratic colleagues, he is now threatening to withhold his vote unless they cut an additional \$50 billion in spending in politically sensitive programs such as Medicaid and Medicaid His critics - and there seem to be more every

day - said he is a shill for big oil who is on an ego trip. The senator compares himself to Paul Revere, saying he is a man with a mission to save Mr. Chinon from the Democratic liberal

The senator, \$2, said Monday that he expected to reach a compromise with the White House this week. But he added: "If we don't, it wouldn't he the end of the world because we would have to start over again, this time on a bipartisan basis. That could be better for the president and the country, though it would certainly mean an uncomfortable time for me."

It is the exceptional senator who does not possess a robust sense of his own importance and a willingness to step on toes to promote the interests of his state. But Senator Boren never before appeared to have the strength of person-ality to withstand so much criticism and pressure. He has made contradictory public statements the last few weeks, sometimes appearing like his old wavering self, but he keeps coming back to defy the president and his party.

Senator Boren has made waves before, al-though they were small, few, and far between As chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence, he once sharply criticized President George Bush, accusing him of neglecting to take advantage of a 1989 failed coup attempt against Manuel Antonio Noriega of Panama. And he broke with his party by voting in favor of the Supreme Court nominations of Robert H. Bork and Clarence Thomas, (He has since said his vote for Judge Thomas was a mistake.) But he is now performing on a far larger

Actually, he is trying to perform two con-trasting roles at the same time. Even as he locks

horns with the president on economic policy, he is Senate floor manager of Mr. Clinton's campaign finance-reform legislation. As a Demo-crat who works well with Republicans, he can help Mr. Clinton unlock a filibuster on one issue even as he stalls the legislative progress on

"I'm sort of a split personality right now," he chuckled at a breakfast with businessmen. When I call the White House, the operator is trained to say, 'Is this the good Boren or the bad

He owes his new "bad Boren" image mostly to the nine Republicans on the Finance Committee who have refused to back the president's economic program. Hence, he is one of 11 Democrats on the committee that Mr. Clinton must carry unless the Democratic leadership takes the highly unusual —and risky —tack of bypassing the panel and moving the bill directly to the Senate floor.

"I love the direction he's going," said Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon, the ranking Republi-can on the committee. "But I don't think the poor devil can get his party there." By contrast, fellow Democrats accuse Sena-

tor Boren of breaking his word to the president that he would stand by him.

Senator Howard M. Metzenbaum, Democrat of Ohio, said: "There are many of us who are very upset with him. It's obvious he would be more comfortable on the Republican side."

Restaurant Lobby Pins Its Hopes on a Waitress

By Joel Brinkley New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Jan Berg- effect on the restaurant industry, wall, a waitress from a small town in Maryland, drove down to Washington earlier this week and stood before a microphone at a news conference to say she feared that she might lose her job if Congress approved President Bill Clinton's proposal to reduce the tax deduction for business meals.

Some of the assumptions beautiful those projections are questionable, and the logic is tortured in spots. But even if the data were unassailable, the association would he re-

Lobbyists in the National Restaurant Association's Washington office recruited Mrs. Bergwall a "We've been besitant to be prooffice recruited Mrs. Bergwall a "We've been bestant to be profew days ago. They put her in a
commercial that is set in the restaurant where she works and is being has singled out lobbyists as bad." rant where she works and is being televised in four states. Then they

put on the news conference. As Mrs. Bergwall spoke, the association's representatives stood in the back of the room, obediently following the lobbying model of the 1990s. The chief rules are these: Move the debate out of Washing-

ton and place it in the mouths of the most vulnerable, sympathetic supposed victims you can find. The restaurant association's officials are especially eager in follow those rules now because the tax provision they are trying to protect
— keeping the deduction for busi-

ness meals at 80 percent of a meal's cost instead of the 50 percent that Mr. Clinton proposes — is per-ceived to benefit the lobbyists themselves, among others. "There is a perception, a sincere acception, that it's a fat-cat issue."

said Stephen E. Elmont, the associ-ation's president. So the strategy is to present the proposed change as a problem for everyman. The victims would include "women, minorities first-time job bolders and people with disabilities" who work in restaurants, an association statement

Mr. Chiton proposed the change as part of his deficit-reduction package and it was approved in the House with little debate. The administration says the provision would raise \$16.3 billion over five

So far, it has not been a subject of much discussion among senators working to modify Mr. Clinton's plan, a Senate aide said Tuesday. But then the association's new campaign only just began.

The association has put together dark projections of the provision's But in Mrs. Bergwall, an enthusiastic Mr. Elmout said later, "we have a real live person" to promote saying that the nation's restaurants

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would lose \$3.8 billion a year and "My husband's out of work." Mrs. Bergwall told the news confer-165,000 restaurant workers would ence. If the business-meal deduc-tion is reduced, "not only will 1 not receive tips, I'll he sent home belose their jobs.

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After she spoke, the ad was shown. The commercial lasts 30 seconds and shows her at work in a restaurant in Olney, Maryland.

"I'm a waitress," Mrs. Bergwall says on camera, "and a good one. I'd better be, because my three sons depend on me. But I might not have a job much longer. President Clinton's economic plan cuts business-meal deductibility. That

"I need this job," she goes on.
"We have too many people out of
work as it is," Then she hands interested viewers back to the association by giving a toll-free telephone number they can call.

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Realism on AIDS: Prevent It

Vaccine Is Decades Away, Researchers Stress

By Lawrence K. Altman New York Times Service

BERLIN - Only an eternal optimist would have left the Ninth International Conference on AIDS here last week believing that new drugs would be available anytime soon to save the lives of the 14 million people oow infected with the virus that causes AIDS.

Or believing that a vaccine would be developed in time to prevent the number of those infected from soaring to at least 30 million by the year 2000, as the World Health Organization predicts.

A realist, on the other hand, would be heeding the one clear message sounded at the meeting: Prevention

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is the only way to stop the alarming spread of the virus, HIV, throughout the world.

"The AIDS epidemic is an emergency, but society is responding as if it were not," Dr. Lars O. Kallings, a Swedish AIDS expert, told colleagues at the meeting.

The sad fact is that many believe the huge spread of the virus over the last decade could have been thwarted hy wider application of what has been known since the earliest AIDS meetings.

Health workers have emphasized the multiplier effect of prevention: Each case prevented reduces the chance of further spread and more deaths. The most compelling argument for prevention is humanitarian. But to political leaders concerned about cost, the economic aspect of prevention is crucial, because each case costs tens of thousands of dollars to treat.

The need for increased preventive efforts, particularly sex education, is underscored by data from the World Health Organization showing that half of new HIV infections are occurring among people who are

Preventing HIV infection in women is a top priority because they are a fast-growing group in the epidemic and because they can pass on the virus to their children. The risk of transmitting HIV from mother to child ranges from 25 to 30 percent in developing countries and from 15 to 30 percent in developed countries; the reason for the difference is unknown.

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As Dr. Karen Hein of Montesiore Medical Center in New York and others said at the meeting, the great fear is that teenagers represent the next wave in the AIDS epidemic.

Dr. James W. Curran, who heads the AIDS program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to Atlanta, said he left the meeting "dispirited by

the relentless assault of the virus." Dr. Curran urged that a national meeting, focused entirely on prevention, be held in the United States. One purpose of the meeting would be to unite the many disparate groups devoted to family planning.

treatment of sexually transmitted diseases, HIV pre-vention, public health and similar fields, all of which seek a common goal but work separately. Another aim would be to duplicate successful pro-

grams and identify barriers to prevention.

Scientists have much to learn about AIDS. Yet, experts feel certain they have accumulated more than enough evidence about steps that can vastly reduce the risk of transmission of the virus. These include sex education, promotion of condoms and safer sex, improved diagnosis, needle exchange programs and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases.

It will be decades before scientists come up with the ideal AIDS vaccine, one that is safe, inexpensive, swallowed and, in a single dose, provides lifetime protection against all strains of HIV, said Dr. Peter Lemptey of Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

No standard vaccine against any infection achieves that degree of prevention. But even if a less than ideal AIDS vaccine were available tomorrow, it could be the second decade of the 21st century before it began to reduce the toll. The news was equally bleak about anti-HIV drugs,

both AZT and experimental ones. AZT does not prolong life for symptomless infected people, preliminary results of a European study found in April. At that time, many federal health officials and other American experts were defensive about their earlier recommendations for AZT. Some dismissed the

study as flawed. But much more data of the study were reported here, and the debates about the early use of AZT became a main subject. Now, most critics say the

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Democrats Seek to Bar U.S. N-Tests

By Douglas Jehl

WASHINGTON - Democratic Party lawmakers have mounted a strong effort to dissuade the Clinton administration from a plan to resume ouclear weapon tests after a moratorium ordered by Congress expires July 1.

The plan calls for the United States and Britain to cooduct nine uoderground explosions in the Nevada desert before 1996, when the administratico wants a complete ban on testing to go into effect.

But Democrats opposed to more tests are urging the president to pledge instead that the United States will oot be the first to resume nuclear tests.

Twenty-two Democratic senators and one Republican wrote to President Bill Clinton on May 12 urging that the United States not break the moratorium because to do so could complicate efforts to hall the spread of nuclear weapons.

At a meeting Monday evening on Capitol Hill, two Democratic representatives warned the president's national security adviser. Anthony Lake, they would probably seek a vote to block tests.

Mr. Clinton is still expected to approve the nine-explosion plan. which is supported by the depart-ments of State and Defense, the nuclear weapons laboratories and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the ground that the tests are necessary to ensure that the United States arsenal is safe and reliable.

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Germany's Social Democrats Have a Candidate Fit for Office

One area where Rudolf Scharping, the new head of Germany's Social Democratic Party. has a clear edge over the man he will probably face in national elections next year - Chancellor Helmut Kohl - is in physical training

For the past two years Mr. Scharping, 45, has engaged an SPD comrade, Premier Ger-hard Schröder of Lower Saxony, in a politician's pentathlon. And while Mr. Schröder may be swifter of foot - two seconds quicker in the 100-meter dash -he has conceded that the upcoming 20-kilometer hicycle race will

oot even be close. Mr. Scharping is a serious rider who has trained in the mountain passes used by the

Tour de France. "I do not begrudge Rudolf Scharping the distinction," Mr. Schröder said, "of being the best bike rider in the SPD." Mr. Kohl, frequently teased about his weight, is not expected to seek out a physical confrontation anytime soon.

Around Europe

Belgium will be the first European Commu-nity country with an environmental tax. Beginning April 1, sales of eco-unfriendly packaging, disposable items and batteries will be taxed. The prices of drinks will rise by 7 Belgian francs (about 20 U.S. cents) as a result, while disposable plastic razors will cost 10 francs more. Even paper will be taxed. Affected industries, notably chemical manufacturers, have called the tax a catastrophe. But half of all household garbage now comes from packaging, and the government which stands to take in 2 billion francs a year - says it hopes the tax will make manufacturers think twice.

German kindergarten students have become increasingly aggressive and four-monthed, according to a new survey. One piece of evidence: In the kindergartens of Baden-Württemberg state, 400 times as many eyeglasses are broken now as 10 years ago. Saarland authorities say one in three young-sters suffers from a behavioral disorder, such as overaggressivity or hyperactivity, the DPA news agency reports. Experts blame broken families, loneliness, absentee parents — and too much television.

The Italian transport minister has failed the country's new written driver's test. Raffaele Costa said he had received hundreds of complaints that the exam was too difficult, so he took the 30-question test himself. He got eight questions wrong; only four errors are wrong," Mr. Costa said. The tests will be revised.

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Ireland Begins to Liberalize Sex Mores

By James F. Clarity

New York Times Service DUBLIN — For centuries, overwhelmingly Roman Catholic Ireland has clung proudly to conservative, even straitlaced attitudes toward matters of sexual morality. Literary dissenters like James Joyce and Edna O'Brien were voices

of a small minority.

But now, as a result of economic, social and political changes, the government has begun to move steadily toward a liberalization of laws involving families and sex in ways that are generally opposed by the Church.

"Finally an Irish government is dealing with socially difficult issues," said Anne Taylor, chairman of the Council for the Status of Women, an umbrella organization of 110 groups including both conservatives and liberals. "After pushing them to the sidelines for many years, they have finally found the courage to, deal with issues like divorce, homosexuality. contracepoon and abortion."

There is considerable opposition to the government's liberalization plans, and various groups opposed to divorce and abortion are, like the church, expected to mount vigorous campaigns when the issues come up for debate

Last week, Mother Teresa, addressing an outdoor rally of 30,000 at a shrine in Western Ireland, was applauded as she said, "Let us promise Our Lady we will never, in any circumstances, allow a single abortion in this country." Prime Minister Albert Reynolds, who was in the audience, declined to comment on her remarks, except to say her message was an

appeal for "tranquillity."

Among the moves toward liberalization, the government agreed last mooth to decriminalize homosexual acts between consenting partners, with the age of consent set at 17. Senator David

Norris said that after 20 years of his campaigning for decriminalization as an acknowledged coalition with the Labor Party of Foreign Minister Dick Spring gives him a comfortable 37homosexual, the reform legislation "satisfies

He predicted that it would be approved by parliament and added that the law will then be more liberal than that in Britain, which sets 21 as the age of consent. Senator Norris, a member of the Protestant Church of Ireland, said the Catholic Church "consistently attempts to frustrate and suppress any inquiry on the subject"

The government also is working on legislation to pave the way for a referendum next year on divorce, which is not permitted. In 1986, a referendum on divorce, with approval advocated by the prime minister at that time, Garret FitzGerald, was disapproved by 63 percent of

Analysts, including Mr. FitzGerald, said the people rejected a divorce law not so much on moral grounds as on economic ones, with wom-en fearing they would be deprived of property if their husbands left. Now, the government is preparing laws that would guarantee wives'

rights to property.

This month parliament approved without a dissenting vote legislation that would permit for the first time the distribution of condoms in

The Irish Times said the approval meant that parliament "has finally come to see that its true Republican purpose is to legislate not for personal or private morality, but for the general public good." It added that the move "edged a mite closer to the laws in most other countries' and "signals a kind of coming-of-age in the political life of this republic."

The vote was the first parliamentary action oo a series of law revisions planned for this year and next by the Reynolds government, whose ister Dick Spring gives him a comfortable 37-vote majority. With such strength, the government is seeking liberalization in a way that will bring law closer to public conduct and practice without offending the country's conservative Catholics or the powerful bishops.
While 90 percent of Ireland's 3.5 million

people are Catholics, and most of them churchgoers, it is an axiom of contemporary hish life that people are increasingly disregarding church positions they find impractical or re-

For its part, the church has not directly attacked the pattern of liberalization disclosed. by the government, sometimes commenting on a particular issue, sometimes remaining silent. The bishops are believed by senior governmen officials and others to be preparing a major attack on plans for the referendam next year on

Mr. Fitzgerald wrote in The Irish Times recently of "the revolution that has taken place in the relationship between the institutional Catholic Church and many of its members and the extraordinary strains that this has placed on the clergy and the religious."
"Why is it that such a large element of what

seemed a quarter of a century ago to be a. remarkably passive and even 'tame' laity has become so rapidly alienated from the institu-. tional church - while remaining determinedly a part of it?"

The reasons are many: economic, with unemployment near 20 percent; social, with the continued growth of the women's movement, spurred by the election of Mary Robinson as president; political, as Ireland moves to comply with EC laws (it gets more than 10 percent of its national income from EC grants), and medical,

RIGHTS: Unofficial Groups Ejected From Drafting of Final Document Configued from Page 1

denominator" simply to preserve the image of

worldwide agreement.

Last week, these governments also thought

they had won approval for congovernmental participation in the drafting process.

But Mr. Brody said he already recognized

signs of trouble Tuesday when the chairman of the drafting committee, Gilberto Vergne Saboia of Brazil, informed him that human rights groups would be excluded from informal meetngs - and that most of the oegotiation in the coming days would take place informally.

"It's of course a fiction because the commit-

tee meets in the same place, with the same says it's meeting informally," an American law- cally, urging the United Nations Security name specific violators of human rights.

yer said shortly after the human rights groups were forced to leave the drafting committee. He added that he expected to be kept informed of developments by Western delegates.

Although the conference will continue until June 25, the 1,000 or so nongovernmental organizations represented here have already been frustrated by United Nations rules, not least the decision that in formal discussions specific cases of human rights violations not be men-

In practice, this rule was violated Tuesday by the Bosoian foreign minister, Haris Siladzic, who made a strong attack on Serbia for its onslaught on Bosnia and Herzegovina. And in Council to take measures to end "the genocide" :

Wednesday, it was the turn of Pakistan's representative, Begun Nusrat Bhutto, to accuse , India of carrying out repression in Kashmir. The Indian chief delegate, J.N. Dixit, then responded by accusing Pakistan of carrying out it is own human rights violations.

Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, also addressed the conference, demanding that "resolute" measures 2 be taken to end Israeli military actions in the cocupied territories, which, he said, were "tantamount lo genocide." Israel denied the

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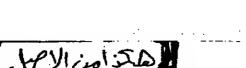
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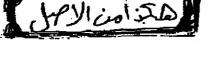
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Russians Leave Cuba to 'New Realities'

MEXICO CITY — Cuba, bidding farewell to the last brigade of Russian combat troops. says that its own military has been cut because of economic woes.

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The country also made a gesture to the United States by repeating its willingness to negotiate payment for U.S. properties confiscated in the 1960s. These developments follow other recent

indications that Fidel Castro's government, hurt by a continuing U.S. embargo, wants better ties with Washington.

The developments, which appear to reflect

more a change in emphasis than a new ap-proach, were reported in lengthy dispatches by the official Prensa Lanna, aimed at foreign readership.

[The State Department said the United States would be willing to talk to Cuba about property.

compensation for expropriated property, economic Renters reported from Washington. In a

statement, it said: "The Cuben government has not approached us through official channels to discuss this subject. However, our long-standing position is that Americans are emitted to compensation for their expropriated properties, and that such compensation should be paid unconditionally. If the Cubans have a proposal in this regard, we would be interested in it."]

As a candidate, President Bill Clinton said the supported in the properties.

he supported tightening the embargo. The farewell ceremony for the Russian troops ended a 30-year combat presence on the island. The departing 3,000-man motorized infantry brigade paraded before a mounment to Soviet soldiers on the outskirts of

In announcing the army cuts, Prensa La-tina reported that current maneuvers by the Cuban military were "adapted to the new economic realities of the Cuban Armed

In April, Defense Minister Rail Castro. brother of the Cuben leader, also indicated cuts had taken place. He said at the time that Cuba had not received any new Russian arms since 1990, although it received some spare parts in 1991.

Meanwhile, the president of Cuba's State

Committee on Economic Cooperation, Ernesto Melendez, expressed willingness to dis-cuss U.S. claims for payment on properties nationalized in the early 1960s as part of broader talks on normalizing relations. The offer was not new, but it comes after a series of Cuban comments expressing hopes

of improved relations with the Clinton ad-Gillian Gunn, director of the Cuba Project at Georgetown University in Washington, noted that it followed recent U.S. statements assuring Cuba that the United States did not plan to invade and promising to punish at-tempted guerrilla raids against the island.

was the first time ambassadors had 21," he wrote, "we found the agen-congressional leaders, the president

U.S. Envoys Receive a Classified Pep Talk

WASHINGTON - In an effort to reassure his diplomatic corps that the Clinton administration is capable of leading the world. Secretary of State Warren M. Christinpher has sent a classified cable in all ambassadors listing what he described as several important ac-

By Michael R. Gordon

New York Tones Service

complishments in his cable, dated June 7, Mr. Christopher all but conceded that President Bill Clinton had got off to a slow start in foreign affairs, but he said crises inherited from the Bush administration forced the new team to navigate "between submerged rocks and whirlpooks on

every continent." Among the nine accomplishments of the new administration. Mr. Christopher said, was the with-drawal of U.S. forces from Somalia, an achievement that was direted almost immediately when a Somali clan leader ordered an a:tack on UN peacekeeping troops and the United States and its ailes annehed retaliators strikes.

Action to end the war in the Balksns was notably absent from Mr. Christopher's list, and the so:retary's comments on Bosnia appeared to be contradictory.

Mr. Christopher argued that the conflict in Bosma was a "cifficult and unique" issue that was "not central to our vital interests." But he also said Washington was a leader in finding peace there and expressed confidence that the United States and its allies were on a course that "can eventually lead to a political settlement for the tor-

mented peoples" of the Balkans.

Mr. Christopher's cable went our before Mr. Clinton's news conference Tuesday, in which the president expressed concern that the political situation in Bosnia was deteriorating Mr. Clinton also defended the record of his five-month presidency, denying that he had been indecisive on issues ranging from the budget to Bosnia. One senior diplomat, who said it

One amhassador said the message was defensive in trone and anneared to remarks the impression that the administration was unsure of itself on foreign policy.

"Anytime you have to list your accomplishments," the ambassador said, "you know you are in

Michael McCurry, a spokesman for Mr. Christopher, said the secre-tary had sent the message to keep the diplomatic corps informed of his thicking.

"The secretary feels that it is important to have regular communi-cation to our diplomatic posts around the world regarding our achievements and the thrust of forin recent weeks, critics have

called the administration's foreign policy weak and vacillating. This impression was reinforced when Peter Tarnoff, the undersecretary of state for political affairs, said that Washington planned to reduce its leadership role because of economic weakness at home.

Even within the Foreign Service. there has been mounting apprehension that the White House has concentrated too much on domestic issues and that the State Department has been preourized with responding to crises instead of developing new policies.

In speeches and interviews, Mr. Christopher has used to dispel the action that the administration has backed away from Washington's traditional leadership, and his mes-sage to the ambassadors, drafted b; Samuel W. Lewis, the department's head of policy planning, appeared intended to persuade his diplomatic team as well.

to the cable, described by offi-

rials who had received it. Mr. Christopher wrote that the Clinton administration had been dealt a bad hand by its predecessor. "When we took office on Jan.

got such a message described the da overflowing with crises and po- has conditionally extended mostcable as "part apologia, part pep tential disasters. A substantial pro- favored-nation [trade status] for portion of time and energy have China in a manner which will also gone to navigating between sub-merged rocks and whirlpools on and our nonproliferation goals, every continent, while putting in while serving the best interests of place an outstanding team of senior American business and workers." officials that is now nearly com-

Like a mantra, Mr. Christopher repeatedly invoked "the leadership role" being played by the United

States around the world. Mr. Christopher provided a list of nine accomplishments that the diplomats could cite: 1. First and foremost, President

Clinton railied the allies to support the course of reform and democracy in Russia at a crucial juncture with strong, unflinching support for President Yelstin." 2 "The stalemated, nearly mori-

bund Middle East peace negotianons were rescued and relaunched with some delicate diplomacy and a strengthened United States role as a full partner."

3. "We have been and are working with the United Nations and the Organization of American

democratic institutions in Guate-4. "In close cooperation with key

States to restore democracy in Hai-

5. "We have phased out the and taken the lead in passing responsibility to a UN peacekeeping force, in which for the first time there will be a stordy American role to help the United Nations rebuild

a viable nation-state." 6. "We have stepped up support for Iraq's democratic opposition el-

7. "With careful but determined diplomacy, we are working with the International Atomic Energy Agency, South Korea, Japan, and China to counter the North Korean nuclear threat."

8. "And from Japan to Mexico to the European Economic Community, the administration has stressed the need to advance America's economic interests in parallel, though not in place of, maintaining our alliances."

9. "Our prompt action helped

ti and to reverse the new threat to thwart the 'auto-coup' in Guatema la, as a reflection of our worldwide promotion of democracy."

British Hunt a Serial Killer Who Preys on Homosexuals

LONDON — The British police said Wednesday they were hunsing a serial killer preying on London's gay community after a lifth man was found murdered in the capital in three months.

Detective Chief Superimendent Ken John warned London's homosexual community to be wary of strangers in bars, clubs and restaurants and to let friends know their whereabours. The latest victim was found naked at his home in south London on

Tuesday. Forensic tests were still being carried out. "If you ask me, am I looking for a serial killer? I am looking for a serial killer," Mr. John told BBC radio after a news conference.

No Troops Soon for Bosnia 'Havens' Having Trouble Raising Forces, UN Sees 3-Month Delay

ken ont.

Mr. Annan said in an interview

that virtually all new troops for the

safe havens would have to be re-

craited because no countries that

already have troops in the area, including Britain, France and Spain, were eager to put them into the havens. The force of 22,000 UN

peacekeepers in the former Yugo-

slav republics already is stretched

to its limits, Mr. Annan added.

The UN secretary-general, Bu-

tros Butros Ghali, has told the council that at least 7,500 UN

By Julia Preston a interest to Washington Post Service
UNITED NATIONS, New York — The United Nations is having trouble raising troops to protect "safe havens" in Bosnia, and it will take up to three mooths to get the additional forces deployed, according to the top UN peacekeeping official. The six safe havens are the cen-

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- France, Britain; Spain and Res-sia — touted the fact that the June 4 resolution authorized them for the first time to use air-to-ground strikes against Serbs who attack the UN troops in the safe havens. But the delays in sending the troops-mean the allies will not be in a position to use the air power they have pledged until August or Sep-

"In the best of times, it takes! three months to deploy troops into the field," said Kofi Annan, under-secretary-general for peacekeeping

One problem, Mr. Annan said, is troops are needed to protect the

that the council itself has given havens. But be emphasized that a less-than enthusiastic support. force that small could operate ef-"On the council, the political will fectively only with "the consent force that small could operate efdoesn't seem to be there to send in and con a large number of troops or to give Bosnia. and cooperation of the parties" in

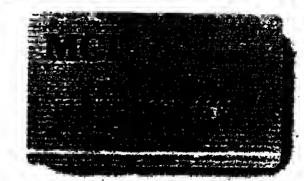
the resources that are necessary to get the job done," he said, "We have been forced to be practical Mr. Butros Ghali said the United Nations would need 34,000 troops for the havens "to obtain deterand operate on the basis of what rence through strength." But it is having a hard time recruiting even the traffic will bear." The United States agreed to back

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Meanwhile, the killing of 23 Pa-kistani peacekeepers in Somalia and the shooting of civilians by Pakistani troops are widely expected to make nations more wary of UN peacekeeping and slow recruit-ment further.

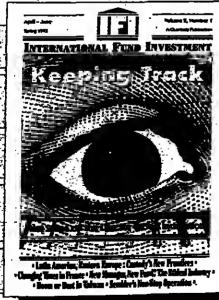
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Yeltsin Clears Hurdle on a New Charter

By Margaret Shapiro

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MOSCOW — The constitutional convention meeting in the Kremlin to draft a new charter for Russia adopted a set of principles oo Wednesday that would enshrine private land ownership as a basic right and would also establish a U.S.-style presidential repub-

But the convention fell well short of the goal set for it by President Boris N. Yeltsin 10 days ago when he convened the group and instructed it to produce a completed draft constitution by Wednesday.

The process of replacing the Soviet-era constitutioo has proved more complicated than originally expected, mostly because of disputes among Russia's localities over their relative power in the future new state struc-

These disputes have prevented a draft from being completed. Mr. Yelisin nonetheless declared the state-

ment of basic principles a major step and said that the convention, comprising more than 700 delegates from across Russia, was on its

way toward finishing its work soon.
This statement outlines the basic principles, the most important principles." an ebullient Mr. Yeltsin said after the vote.

He added that a smaller group he would head would try to hammer out a final draft over the next 10 days and that the convention would regroup to vote on it June 26. It was still unclear bow a final draft, once

approved by the convention, would then be adopted as Russia's new basic law. A presidential adviser, Sergei Stankevich, said, "It is clear that we will be able to work

out a single text." The principles agreed to Wednesday provide for three equal and separate branches of power, with a democratically elected presi-

dent and a two-chamber parliament. This is a key change from the current constitution, which was adopted when the by loss of a main breadwinner.

Communist Party ruled and placed a buge Congress of People's Deputies as the supreme power over the president and a smaller working parliament.

In the post-Soviet era, this has met constant power struggles and clashes over the

Mr. Yeltsin, who is Russia's first democratically elected president, is determined to remake Russia into democratic, free-market

The congress, elected under the old Communist system and dominated by hard-liners, is determined to forestall any of those changes.

Responding to concerns about a social safety net as the country goes through its tumultuous transition to a free-market economy, the statement of principles also declared that the state would provide benefits to the elderly, the disabled or unable to work because of long-term illness and to those burt

KOHL: He Urges Kindness With Foreigners but Rejects Dual Citizenship

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er violence as something committed by fringe groups," said Hans-Ludwig Zachert, president of the Federal Crime Office.

Auti-foreigner crimes are "a reflection of society," be said. They come from the people, from the middle of society."

Mr. Zachert said that among 152 suspects arrested in attacks on foreigners in April, only 10 percent were skinheads and only one in seven belooged to any organized neo-Nazi group. Of the remainder, 90 had no previous arrest record and 105 were "from the middle

class," according to the Crime Office. In 1992, 6,336 anti-foreigner crimes were

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Mr. Kohl's address was prompted in part hy opinioo surveys showing that a plurality of Germans hold his government responsible for the attack in Solingen. A poll in Der Spiegel magazine said 42 percent of Germans believe that Mr. Kohl's party, which has made the "asylum and foreigner problems" a centerpiece of its campaigns for the past two years, had contributed to an atmosphere that condoned or encouraged ano-foreigner violence.

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and elsewhere." Rather, he said, increased violence stems from liberal educational reforms of the 1960s and 70s and fraying belief in "virtues such as consideration and helpfulness, grantude and courtesy, decency and dignity."

But Mr. Kohl balanced his plea for tolerance

with a warning to Turks who have responded to recent anti-foreigner attacks with violent demonstrations of their own.

Referring to "small groups of Turkish fanai-

ics" who "abuse our guest laws," Mr. Kohl won lengthy applause from members of his Christian Democratic Party by threatening to deport foreigners who do not obey democratic rules.

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The National Assembly met Monday in its first session and, as its first act, voted to grant Prince Sihanouk all powers necessary "to save Cambodia" - a vote that many Cambodians took to mean that the prince could exercise abso-

lute power if he chose. Prince Sihanouk was positively gleeful Wednesday in a television broadcast that showed him meeting with Prince Ranariddh and other faction leaders in the palace to discuss the interim government.

Sitting to the right of his domineering father, Prince Ranariddh appeared glum at times during the broadcast, perhaps giving away his party's disappointment at having to share power despite its victory at the polls

A spokesman for the UN peacekeeping force in Cambodia. Eric Berman, said that the United Nations welcomed creation of an "interim administration that will serve to facilitate the drafting and adop-tion of a constitution." UN officials say they hope — and they expect — that the interim government will give way to whatever government is established under the new constitution.

The elections last month were the centerpiece of a \$2 billion UN peacekeeping operation, the largest in its history, meant to end a 14-year civil war in Cambodia.

The elections were won by Funcinpec, which received 58 of the 120 seats in the National Assembly. The Cambodian People's Party, the political arm of Mr. Hun Sen's gov-

ernment, won 51 seats. The fact that Prince Ranariddh and Mr. Hun Sen would agree to serve in the same government may give Cambodians real hope that there is a solution to the civil war. Funcinpec was founded in the early 1980s as a rebel group, one of three allied rebel organizations that sought the overthrow of the government now led by Mr. Hun Sen.

The largest of the rebel groups, the Maoist-inspired Khmer Rouge, dropped out of the UN-sponsored peace process last year and had at one time threatened to sabotage the elections with violence. In a rebel radio broadcasi Wednesday, the Khmer Rouge seemed to suggest that it would accept the powerharing arrangement, so long as Prince Sihanouk had "real power, not just power in principle."

Japanese Engine Passes **Key Test for a Launch**

Agence France-Presse TOKYO - The National Space Development Agency has success-

fully tested the engine for its H-2 rocket, clearing the highest hurdle in its attempt to launch Japan's first self-developed rocket, the agency said.

The engine was fired for nearly

six minutes at the agency space center on Tanegashima Island in southern Japan in the fifth ground

ASIANS: Growing Concern About EC's Ostpolitik

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gion. Protectionist barriers in the EC against Asian imports would also rise, providing impetus for the global economy to break up into exclusive regional blocs concen-trated on Europe, the Americas and Asia.

In 1991, East Asian countries accounted for 3.8 percent of EC exports, worth \$52 billion, and they supplied 5.3 percent of its imports, valued at oearly \$77 billion.

The collapse of communism has already resulted in diversion of West European and U.S. attention and assistance toward "learner democracies" in the former Soviet empire, said Noordin Sopiee, director general of the Institute of International and Strategic Studies in Kuala Lumpur.

"This game of helping East Europe and the former U.S.S.R. — a greatly expanded Ostpolitik - will soon begin to have substantial global effects in terms of special trade concessions, economic aid and concentrating the focus of attention of Western industrial powers, especially those in the EC," be added.

Asian officials said that the new democracies in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union needed much freer trade access to the EC and massive financial support.

But with Western Europe in the grip of recession and rising unemloyment, bold measures to help former Communist countries conprivatized industries are consid-

ered unlikely.

The basic problem, said Mochtar Kusumaanmadja, a former Indonesian foreign minister, is that the EC has "crafted a community that runs

on a high-cost system." He said that by opening its mar-ket to the farm products and manu-factured goods of former Communist states, the EC could lower costs for its consumers, force its producers to become more internationally competitive as well as help maintain stability across the whole of

But Mr. Mochtar said that he doubted EC political leaders would "have the guts" to accept the retrenchments and cuts in state subsidies and welfare spending that would accompany such a move.

"Yet if the EC fails to act now, the very thing its members fear will happen in a bigger way at some point in the future," be said. "It is better to make sure that the former Communist countries prosper so that their citizens do not feel impelled to move into Western Europe." Saleh Affif, Indonesia's coordi-

finance, said that Jakarta had been officially advised that EC nations might no longer be able to provide Indonesia, the world's fourth most populous country, with concession loans of \$600 million a year.

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this month to decide on an amount for 1993. World Bank officials said the new total is expected to be similar. to 1992. But speaking of the future. Mr. Saleh sand that there was a

Refigure huge demand for funds developing in Eastern Europe and the form 1.5. Schoolhave to compete with them." Japan, reluctant to offer Russia. large-scale economic assistance because of a territorial dispute over four Pacific islands seized by Moscow at the end of World War II was pressed by the United States and EC governments into joining a

Russian rescue package agreed

upon at a meeting of ministers from the Group of Seven industrial powers in Tokyo earlier this year. Analysts said that Japan, which is struggling to climb out of recession, wants to avoid being pushed into a posicion where it has to divert aid away from Asia to Europe while facing new demands from Asian nations for easier access to its market to compensate for the loss of sales to the EC.

Japan and other East Asian countries are particularly pes tic about the outlook for Russis nating minister for economics and Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's elder statesman, said recently that all the Asian leaders be had met expected great disorder in Russia regardless of what the West could afford to do. "What they see is a

systemic breakdown," he said at a meeting of former heads of government in Shanghai.

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most Smoky Mountain residents in the next six months. Any holdouts will be evicted, the old homes razed and the great mound of accumulat-ed refuse leveled. Those 40 acres (16 hectares), together with a filledin 99 acres jutting into the bay, will become blocks of business towers, warehouses, docks, light industry, 3,500 permanent apartments and a community center. The commercial revenues will pay for the public

housing and social services. Smoky Mountain's residents are being offered the temporary quar-ters rent-free and the right to buy permanent apartments with monthly payments of about \$24, stretched over 25 years. Each apartment consists of a 99-square-foot (9-sonare-meter) room with a loft. bathroom, kitchen area, water and

Some 200 Smoky Mountain peo-ple are to be hired for early construction work and 450 later on, and more in the businesses to be developed. Others are to be offered training and job placements, possibly even for manual labor overseas.

But officials concede they can-not promise jobs for all 4,000 scavengers, Mrs. Galvez said, "We cannot guarantee everyone will be given a job."

Groups representing Smoky Mountain people helped shape the plan. But because the project is scheduled to take three years, and promises are oot always kept, many resident remain wary.

NIGERIA: DUMP: Closing Smoky Mountain Returns Blocked

"This is the only job I know," Oscar Mallari said, ignoring a cloud of flies surrounding him. He Continued from Page 1

is 42 and has been working here for Smoky Mountain dominates the waterfront skyline here, a pungent topographic feature built of decades of human trash. Roads for dump trucks wind up to its crest, and perched on its slopes are rows of shandes that squatters bave patched together from corroded strips of corrugated metal, broken panels of wood, rusty bedsprings

and plastic sheets weighted down by stones and boards. Smoky's name comes from the constantly smoldering fires employed to reduce the volume of trash, Although Mr. Ramos ordered the dump closed immediately, the trucks continue to arrive at the font of Smoky Mountain because neighborhood opposition to the new dumping site at Carmona

is unresolved. As each load slides down a truck bed to the ground, dozens of eager scavengers' swarm onto the pile. like ants on a crumb. Many are children, school dropouts, and a few are old and feeble. They drag

sacks or carry woven baskers to hold their treasures. Some wear castoff costume jewelry they have found. They talk of that rare catch inadvertently discarded money. Suddenly a boy shricks at discovering green mangos discarded in a

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came in response to a lawsuit brought by the Association for a Better Nigeria, a group of wealthy businessmen, politicians and mili-tary officers who have led a highly visible campaign here urging Gen-eral Babangida to remain in office.

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By William Celis III New York Times Service

HITE PLAINS, New York -Peek into the third-grade class-room of Diane Lang and see the future of math education. Gone a are the addition and subtraction drills, the mind-numbing handouts.

This generation of students at Church Street Flementary School learns math by testing the a acidity of the nearby Bronx River over several days, one of many exercises requiring students to calculate the math, explain how they got their answer and then chart the results on a

"Math concepts are the same, but the pack-aging is different," said Ms. Lang. "It's not coough to have the right answer anymore. You s have to explain it and use it."

The best math teachers have always challenged their students to do more than learn by rote. And now teachers around the United States are being trained and expected to inject rigor and vigor into once sedate lessons. dents are being pushed not only to pro-

duce correct answers but to develop problem-solving skills through practical applications. They are encouraged to use calculators and computers, not as a substitute for the multiplication tables, which must still be memorized, but as a supplement to them. This new approach, which has critics as well

as supporters, has forced the retraining of thousands of teachers unaccustomed to such an integrated approach of teaching math. It is a movement that curriculum experts call the most comprehensive overhaul of math since the

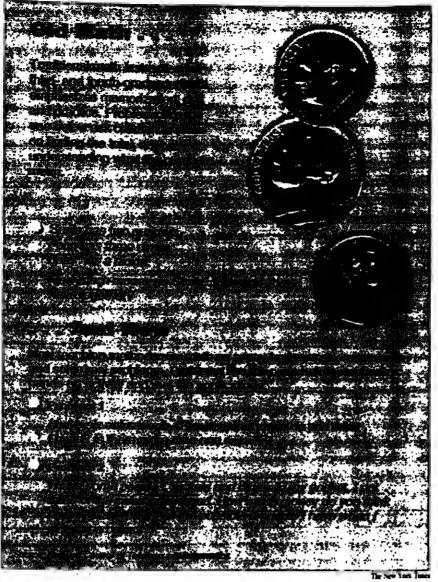
The movement originated in the mid-1980s, when the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the leading professional organization for math teachers, began responding to mounting cries of alarm from educators and business leaders about the math skills of high school graduates. Not since 1957, when the Soviet Union launched Sputnik, had there been so much concern that American students were falling behind the rest of the world.

N response, the council developed new guidelines for math instruction; the guide-lines were adopted in 1989 and have since been made official policy in 41 states. That effort dovetailed neatly with the six national education goals adopted in 1990 by the nation's governors and President George Bush, one of which calls for American students to lead the world in math and science by 2000.

While few educators expect that the United Stateswill meet that goal, there is wide agree-ment that the math teachers' program is in the vanguard of the national provement to overhand curriculums and teaching in virtually, every area;

"The standards are a step in the right direc-tion," said John Allen Paulos, a mathematics professor at Temple University and the author of the best-seller "Immmeracy: Mathematical Illiteracy and Its Consequences." "They put a

higher premium on conceptual understanding and take advantage of technology available." The aim is to shift math instruction from a The sim is to shift math instruction from a making an impact. Last year test results from narrow focus on routine skills to development the National Assessment of Educational Proof broad mathematical skills, like teaching stu-



denis to perform mental calculations and estimates with proficiency, know which mathematical methods are appropriate in particular contexts, and use computers and calculators with confidence.

The teachers' council in 1991 released new standards for teachers themselves, moving away from an authoritarian role for educators to one in which teachers act as "helpers" for

The new curriculum heavily emphasizes solving problems and math's application to real life. the time they finish high school, students will be expected, as in the past, to master besic geometry, trigonometry, probability and statis-tics. But educators say the new math curriculam is most important in the early grades, because a solid grounding in basic concepts is

considered critical to progress later on.
So in kindergarten through fourth grade, students learn concepts of whole numbers, with an early introduction to fractions and decimals. And problem solving in the third grade, for example, has taken a new flavor. Consider one problem once widely taught to third graders: "A boy has three apples and ests one. How many apples does he have left?"

"That's not problem solving," said Bob Bern-stein, a math teacher in Philadelphia overseeing the introduction of the standards in a model program in 12 schools. Instead, the new appreach presents the problem this way: "Three

R. Bernstein said now teachers are being trained to do teaching this way routinely. And although no statistics are available on the number of schools or teachers now employing the new curriculum, there is some evidence that it is gress showed 72 percent of all fourth-grade

students scored at or above average proficiency in simple arithmetic and problem solving, as against 67 percent in 1990.

But as more states embrace the new curriculum, parts of it are coming under attack from parents and even math teachers, especially over the use of calculators and computers. Last month, at a regional meeting of math teachers in New York City, several teachers said the rush to technology would undermine students' abili-ty to calculate problems the old-fashioned way.

The math standards are a disaster," added John Saxon, a math textbook publisher in Norman, Oklahoma and a former college math instructor. "My contention is that the calculafor will cause short-term gains in a few students and long-term damage to many, it won't become apparent for another 10 to 12 years, at which point it will be distressingly apparent."

But many others defend the use of calculators and computers.

What technology has done is eliminate some of the drudgery of pencil and paper," said Charles L. Hamberg, a math teacher from Libertyville, Illinois, adding that some classes still spend a valuable class hour putting a problem on graph paper when a calculator will perform the same task in seconds.

Teachers like Ms. Lang of White Plains are trying to convince skeptics that the new way is better. "Parents will come to me and say: "I carned math this way. Why aren't my children learning the same way?" said Ms. Lang. add-ing that she would reply: "The way you and I learned math was meaningless... These chil-dren have a real foundation because math is connected to everything."

But there are worries, too, about the ability of poorer school systems to supply classrooms with the technology. Although prices for calcu-lators and computers have fallen in the past 20 years, the cost still remains out of reach for poorer school systems.

How to Avoid Flight-Related Illness

By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

EW YORK - Air travel, while a boon to long-distance vacationers and business travelers, has also become an mercasing source of pain. discomfort and even illness among passengers and crew members in recent years.

While no systematic study has been done on the incidence of flight-related health problems. complaints from passengers have ranged from headache, nausea and backaches to colds, neumonia and blood clots in the lungs. Airlines have also greatly reduced the influx of fresh air on planes to save money, worsening health problems.

No less an authority than Alfred Kahn, a chairman of the former Civil Aeronautics Board and father of deregulation, reports that within a five-year stretch six of eight longdistance flights he took resulted in attacks of bronchitts or pneumonia, one of which landed him in a hospital for five days.

Scientive questioning of frequent long-dis-tance fliers has suggested that such problems are far more common than the airlines and aviation safety officials either know or are willing to admit. Several frequent travelers who have been repeatedly laid low by fight-related infections said they routinely tried megadoses of vitamin C before flying and for a day or two

Difficulties in documenting the extent of flight-related health problems start with the fact that passengers quickly disperse to many distant points. Also, it is often hard to separate the effects of forced contact with airborne mfectious organisms from the immune-suppressing effects of travel-related stress, which leaves people more valuerable to infection.

But in 1979, influenza struck 7. percent of passengers on a flight to Kodiak. Alaska, after the plane had been held at its landing gate for four hours. The common source of their infection, hours of breathing contaminated air in the plane, was nailed down only because nearly ali the sick passengers visited the same doctor in

co to Hawaii, more than 100 of the 486 passengers and crea members had headaches and nausea, a problem attributed to the poor quality of cabin air recirculated through dirty filters.

Although correction of such problems lies in the hands of the airlines, there are many steps passengers can take to minimize their chances of arriving their activiations their destinations; first, get comfortable and move around occasionally: second, avoid dehydration by consuming eight ounces of water of another plain beverage for each hour of the flight, third, protect your ears by using a decongeniant and, yes, that old standby, chewing gum; and, finally, choose

good food to limit the stress of travel. The combination of cramped seats that forbid much movement and the pressure of seat cushions on the back of the thighs impairs circulation in the legs, often resulting in swollen ankles and feet and cometimes in dangerous blood close in the lower leg that can, days later. hreak loose and lodge in the lungs. In 1988. doctors in New York and Britain described three cases of flight-related pulmonary embousms in otherwise builthy muddle-aged adults.

O reduce such risk, they suggested that passengers on long lights sit in able seats — (1) if necessary, climb over seat mates — and take hourly walks in flight. Other helpful measures include not smoking (smoking, still permetted on many in-ternational fights, thickens the blood), wearing nonconstricting clothing, not crossing your legs, wearing elastic or support hose, taking off your shoes and elevating your feet by testing them on luggage or a stack of magazines or

Also project your neck and lower back by for example, placing an inflatable U-shaped pillow in the crook of your neck and an airtine pillow in the small of your back.

Dehydration, which also thickens the blood, can result in general discomfort, digestive probiems, undue tatigue and worsened jet lag. With the humidity level tyrically about 10 percent. the atmosphere on planes is direr than the scent to equalize pressure.

Kodiak, And on a 1986 flight from San Francis- Sahara. Eyes become sore and red and upper respiratory passages dry out, increasing their susceptibility to infection.

Many beverages commonly consumed in flight actually add to dehydration. These include drinks with caffeine (including soft drinks), alcoholic beverages and salty drinks like tomato juice. The effects are often com-

pounded by salty peanuts and pretzels. Try to consume eight ounces of water or other plain beverages for each hour of the flight. Some travelers prefer to take along their own housed water, especially on international flights from less developed countries, rather than to rely on the safety of water on the plane.

Use saline eye drops before, during and after the flight. This is especially important for people with contact lenses, who may be better off wearing glasses in flight.

Skin, too, suffers from dehydration on flights. Apply a good moisurizer over your body before leaving for the airport, and carry some with you. Use a sprinzer bottle of water to revive your facial skin and hair.

Ears are a common source of in-flight health problems. While most people know they should not fly with a cold or upper respiratory conges-tion, postponing a scheduled trip is rarely a choice. As the plane descends, the Eustachian rube in the middle ear tends to collapse as the outside pressure builds. The middle ear becomes filled with fluid and blood, and may even

The risk can be reduced by taking a decongestant before the flight and again an hour before the descent; if the flight is more than about four hours, also use a nasal spray 30 to 60 minutes before landing and again in the descent. Chewing gum or, for infants, sucking on a bottle or breast is helpful. When ears fail to open by themselves, try the Valsalva maneuver: close your mouth, pinch your nose and force air from your lungs into your ears. You should hear the middle ear click open, at least temperardy. Repeat the maneuver often in the de-

The Left-Handed Creatures of Eons Ago

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Tones Seriac

EW YORK - Bite scars found in the fossils of ancient shelifish have yielded strong evidence that half a billion years ago, animals had already evolved "handedness," the kind of behavior that makes most human beings favor one hand A study shows that certain sea creatures that

evolved even before animals firs; colonized the land - and long before the evolution of the hand — persistently turned toward their fa-vored sides when attacking prey or evading predators.

Until about two decades ago scientists generally believed that only human beings exhibited ndedness. One reason was that while handedness in human beings is obvious, a propensity to favor one side or another in other species is usually difficult to identify.

But recently asymmetrical behavior has been discovered in many fiving animal species, and paleontologists have also begun to find hints of preferentially "handed" behavior even in long-

The latest evidence comes from an investiga tion by Dr. Loren E. Babcock, a paleontologist at Ohio State University, and Dr. Richard A. Robion, a paleontologist at the University of Kansas,

The subjects of their maury were trilobites. encient shellfish distantly related to modern horseshoe crabs and crustaceans. Trilobites flourished from about 550 million years ago until they became extinct 230 million years ago, just before the dawn of the age of dinosaurs. Trilobites had many pairs of legs that proba-bly helped propel them along the bottom of the

sea, and some trilobites developed large flat tails that may have been used for swimming, in somewhat the way a whale propels itself with its tail flukes. Trilobites had hard shells, the details of which were often very well preserved as fossils in sedimentary rock.

In his study of bundreds of trilobite fossils, Dr. Baboock was struck by a pattern in the scars left by hites they had sustained. He found that the overwhelming majority of these scars were on the right rear parts of the animals' bodies.

In a recent issue of The Journal of Paleontolozy and in the current issue of Natural History magazine, Dr. Babcock reported that the pattern of bites on trilobites' tails strongly suggests that the animals were fleeing predators when attacked. But the preponderance of bites on the right side implies something less obvious: the existence of handedness.

One explanation, Dr. Babcock said, might be that most trilobites themselves favored their right sides, and that they instinctively vecred to the right when trying to escape. Another explanation could be that the predators were pre-dominantly "left-handed," tending to attack the trilobite's right rear. A third possibility is that both predators and prey exhibited preferences in their behavior.

BOOKS

CRUELTY AND SILENCE: War, Tyranny, Uprising and the Arab World

By Kanan Makiya. 367 pages. \$22.95. Norton.

Reviewed by Milton Viorst S ADDAM-BASHING was a cottage industry among American journalists during the months of crisis in the Gulf. Dozens of instant books appeared, telling us what a horrid man the Iraqi president was. For Americans, of course, it was an easy message, easy to write, easy to read. It was PC.

But for Kanan Makiya, an Iraqi Arab living in exile, exposing Sad-dam was decidedly difficult. Writ-ing in English, under the pen name. Samir Al-Khalil, he published in 1989 "Republic of Fear," a haunting examination of Iraqi totalitarianism. A year later, he published "The Monument," a study of Saddam's vulgarization of art to serve his regime. These books put Makiya's life at risk. They also evoked scorn from other Arab intellectuals, for whom criticism of Saddam was not PC at all:

In "Cruelty and Silence," Makiya evens the score. The cruelty in the title is Saddam's; the silence is the Arab literary community's. Makiya has no patience with Arabs who have hero-worshiped Saddam simply because he stood up to the West. His book argues that as long as the Arab intelligentsia — and particularly Arab writers living comfortably in the West — fail to expose Saddam Hussem and his fellow tyrants as vicious thugs, Arab civilization will remain frightened, backward, degraded.

Makiya devotes the early part of "Cruelty and Silence" to witnesses" accounts of Saddam's atrocities, first during the occupation of Kuwait, then during the postwar up-risings in Iraq's Shiite and Kurdish regions. Makiya tells us that Saddam even employs specialists at rape, bureaucrats whose work, mder Arab codes of honor, inflicts humiliation on his enemies. Unfortunately, such horrors have become so commonplace in our time that we are scarcely shocked. The recounting, however, is a necessary foundation for the grim case that

Makiya makes. My own problem with Makiya is that he is two-dimensional. He tells us nothing of the complex relations between Iraq and Kuwait before

Saddam's invasion. He recounts Said's book "Orientalism" damaged portunit, he attaches no real weight to the argument made by so many Arab intellectuals that Saddam's evil pales before that of the Arab regimes that summoned the West - the imperialists, the infidels -

to resolve an intra-Arab dispute.

I quibble with Makiya, in proposing be say that, at least until the Gulf War, Saddam made the trains run on time. But admittedly, I american him to him to he made he is a second or the same and the same a f Makiya is no analyst. He makes no pretense of being fair-minded or balanced. He is, rather, a passionate man, a pamphleteer, defying Arab political correctness, and in the concluding third of the book he makes a powerful case that a pamphleteer's ontrage—not a scholar's detachment—is precisely what the Arab world needs.

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What happened during the Gulf crisis, he says, was that Arab intel-lectuals "couldn't see what all the fuss over Knwait was about, but could only see the unfolding of yet another grand Western design against the Arab world."

Makiya expresses a special ami-mus toward Edward Said, the prom-ment Palestinian-American scholar. He writes that Said is like other Arabs who see conspiracies everywhere, and so accuses him of being instigated to write "Republic of Fear" to serve American interests. Makiya counters by saying that

none of the long history of Kurdish a generation of young Arabs by provocations of Begindad. Most important, he attaches no real weight dices for Arab problems. Said, acto the argument made by so many young Arabs "the morally wrong idea that the West is to be blamed in the here-and-now for its long neferious history of association with the Middle East. Such attitudes, he says, led so many Arabs.— Said among them — to transform Saddam into an innocent victim in the Gulf crisis.

groundswell which views someone like Saddam Hussein as the principle of cruelty incarnate, not as the principle of Arab strength."
Written in English, "Cruelty and Silence" will be denied the wide

Arab audience that it deserves. Still, it will reach its target, the many Arab intellectuals living in the West, and through them, it will make its way into the Arab heartland. Today that heartland is torn between secular despotism and religious fanaticism. In an andacio voice, Makiya calls for new atti-tudes, based on mutual respect and he will not go unheard.

Milton Viorst, a writer who has covered the Arab world for 20 years, wrote this for The Washington Post.



BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott NE of the most exciting fin-ishes in the 65-year history of the Goldman Pairs took place on May 30 at the Sheraton New York

Hotel in Manhattan. With one two-board round remaining, the defending champions, Steve Becker of Cos Cob, Connecticut, and Richard de Martino of Riverside, Connecticut, seemed to have a good chance of repeating. They were in second place, 8 match points behind Dale Beers of Springfield, Pennsylvania, and Jim Gingrich of Lansdale, Pennsylvania. Three other pairs were in con-

Sadly, Becker and de Martino were knocked out of the running by a 25-point technical penalty for a was accurate, because six spades misduplication at the start of the would have been made exactly. session. But there was still a Becker Note, however, that in the unlikely

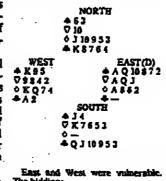
Manhattan, surged from fifth to first to take the title. In two boards they scored 44 points out of a possible 50, and ended two and a baif points ahead of Beers and Ging-

(Michael Richardson, IHT)

In retrospect the diagramed deal had great significance in the Goldman. South began with a Michaels 0 K 974 cue-bid showing length in hearts and one of the minor suits, and West countered with his cue-bid of three hearts, implying, a good hand with spade support. North's four no-trump bid suggested a save in whichever minor suit South held.

Accordingly, South bid seven clubs and was duly doubled. This

winner, though unrelated: R. Jay event West was declarer a diamond Becker and Ira Herman, both of lead would have been decisive.



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Sensible Trade Policies

Clinton administration turned from bullying to constructive negotiating. Instead of repeating threats to punish Japan for behavior that the United States unilaterally decides is wrong - a tactic designed to curry favor with protectionists in the Democratic Party - the administration set out reasonable ways to help U.S. exporters without risking a trade war.

Yet the old threats have not been disowned, which makes U.S. policy appear contradictory. The administration's overheated rhetoric risks creating unrealistic expectations that could make the modest gains of reasonable policy look like a retreat.

The prominence that the administration has given to trade talks with Japan reflects two beliefs: that trade deficits with that nation harm the U.S. economy, and that negotiations can solve the problem. Neither belief carries much weight.
Long-standing trade deficits reflect in-

sufficient saving. Americans buy more goods than they produce, importing the balance. The Japanese do the opposite: produce more than they buy, exporting what is left over. The U.S. trade deficit will not fall -- regardless of what Mickey Kantor negotiates with the Japanese - until Americans save more.

That is wby the strategy of "managed trade" proposed by some in the administratron won't work. Under managed trade, Washington would set numerical targets for Japanese imports of designated U.S. goods like supercomputers, telecommunications equipment and automobile parts — and retaliate if they are not met. But if the Japanese are forced to import more designated goods, they will - given their un-

In trade talks last week with Japan, the changed savings rate - compensate hy exporting more or importing fewer nondesignated goods, some of which would otherwise bave come from the United States. Besides, the Japanese government cannot control how much its citizens import unless it replaces markets with government-run cartels - a peculiar demand for the United States to make.

What is at stake when Washington negotiates higher import levels of U.S. supercomputers and telecommunications equip-ment is the well-being of Motorola and the Cray Computer Corporation - not the overall trade balance of the United States.

For now, Bill Clinton has backed away from threats of automatic retaliation. Numerical targets would simply serve as indicators to identify markets in which Japan unfairly blocks imports and where U.S. pressure ought to be applied. There are encouraging precedents for this strategy: After Japan, at U.S. insistence, changed its laws restricting large-scale retailers, the way was cleared for Toys 'R' Us to open up six stores within a year.

The administration also plans to pressure the Japanese government to cut down the temporary hulge in the trade deficit by stimulating Japan's stuggish economy. And the administration is claiming that it will not shut out Japanese imports. These are sensible policies, adopted previously by President George Bush.

Trade hawks in the Democratic Party will try to hold President Clinton to his promise to make cutting the trade deficit with Japan one of his highest priorities. So far, at least, he is proceeding to fulfill his misguided promise in a responsible manner.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

New and Old in Canada

Canada's ruling Progressive Conservative Party now has chosen a new leader and prime minister. Brian Mulroney, who has held the joh for nine years, has — as be would say — spent down his political capi-tal and is bumping along at the bottom of the popularity polls. By replacing him with Kim Campbell, a quick-witted lawyer who is now the defense minister, the party intends to give itself a new face and a new voice for the campaign. Not incidentally. Mrs. Campbell will be the first woman to become a Canadian prime minister — an-

other interesting element to this election. But while the prime minister may be oew, the issues will be two old ones. There is oo escaping them. First, there is the economy - a recent recession much deeper than in the United States and a recovery that is equally slow. The federal deficit is buge, hor unemployment in Canada is far higher than in the United States, Second, there is the long quarrel over Quebec and the respective rights of French-speaking and Englishspeaking Canadians. Mr. Mulroney spent a great deal of his time on Quebec - too much, perhaps, particularly since his attempt at conciliation ultimately failed.

That failure may well persuade his successor not to invest much of her own capital

in the search for solutions to Quebec's demands. While the Quebec dispute is unique to Canada, the country shares its funda-mental economic dilemma with all the todustrial democracies except Japan. All of them, roughly two decades ago, expanded their social benefits and entitlements enormously on the happy assumption that fast growth of their economies would pay for them. But, of course, it has not. As a result, governments in Europe and North America are struggling wearily either to cut entitlements or to raise taxes — and neither alter-native is popular with the voters.

At least in the 1990s in most of these countries most politicians of both right and left agree that big deficits are dangerous and have to be brought under control. That is progress, and to Canada much of the credit for it is owed to Mr. Mulroney. But now it is Mrs. Campbell who will have to guide the Conservatives' strategy to close the gap between public income and outgo in a country in which tax revenues already take more than 40 percent of the economy's output. The Canadian election probably will be the next point at which voters reluctantly confront the hard choices that are eroding the standiog of politicians and governments throughout the rich countries of the West.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

More Women at the Top strong, even tyrannical. But just the fact of Two more countries elected women as

their prime ministers last weekend, but that is hardly news anymore. The list of women who head or have beaded their governments grows by the year, and notably in countries where feminist movements are weak or nonexistent.

Following in the giant footsteps of Britain's Margaret Thatcher, India's Indira Gandhi, Israel's Golda Meir, Pakistan's Benazir Bhutto, Sri Lanka's Sirimavo Bandaranaike and others, the roster iocludes:

Bangladesb: Khalida Zia Canada: Kim Campbell Dominica: Mary Eugenia Charles Nicaragua: Violeta Barrios de Chamorro Norway: Gro Harlem Brundtland Poland: Hanna Suchocka Turkey: Tansu Ciller Like men in leadership, some women are their election in wealthy nations and poor ones speaks volumes for women's power around the world.

Canada had a woman as its figurehead chief of state, Governor General Jeanne Sauvé, who died in January, but Mrs. Campbell is the first woman prime minister.

More remarkable was Mrs. Ciller's elec-tion in Turkey. Even though women are traditionally subordinate in Muslim countries, Turkey is now the third led by a woman - after Bangladesh and Pakistan. No less stunning was the election and popularity of Ms. Suchocka to Poland, where Eastern Europe's macho tradition thrives.

Who knows? Maybe someday the United States, land of supposedly equal opportunity, will follow suit.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Empty Hopes in Somalia

The lesson of Somalia, and of the latest bloodshed there, is not that it is necessarily wrong to intervene in societies where anarchy has descended; but that it is misguided, and even pernicious, to act without a clear will to see the issue through to the end, perhaps years and many millions of pounds later.

The U.S. performance in Somalia has been deplorable, because it has been guided hy the desire to be seen to act benignly. without accepting the consequences of do-ing so in reality. The air strikes during the weekend reflected the worst American military tradition: They sought to do a complex ioh with minimum casualties, by commit-

ting bombs and bullets rather than men. What is occided in Somalia is a painstaking "bearts and minds" campaign by men on the ground, backed by the overwhelming application of force to disarm the warring factions, followed by a patient political program to rebuild local institutions and create

a credible government. Instead, we have a ramshackle United Nations military force thrashing wildly across the countryside in pursuit of ill-

considered ad hoc objectives. It would be worse in Bosnia. The fanatics [are] more numerous and better armed, the complexities more Byzantine.

It may be that the television-viewing public in Europe and the United States is willing to pay the huge price for re-establishing order in these societies. But let the world's politicians and media be bonest about the horrendous difficulties and accept that there can be no half-measures, quarter-measures or Clinton paracoute, measures. There is only wholehearted commitment or nonintervention.

Before governments encourage the United Nations to inadequately play God in any more hloodbaths, there must be a proper UN military secretariat and command structure and a clear sense of political as well as military purpose. Posturing, when so many lives are at stake, disgraces those who seek to delude themselves that they are bringing help, when in fact they are bringing only empty hopes.

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OPINION



Bosnia Isn't Somalia, but Both Will Be Abandoned

PARIS — What Somalia in fact needs is occ-I colonialism, but it is not going to get it. The Somalis are likely to end in still deeper chaos as a result of the American and United Nations interventions of the past few months, climaxing in ambushed UN troops, U.S. air attacks and clashes between the UN forces and protesting Somalis.

Somalia needs government. Thanks in part to past colonial interventions, which destroyed tradi-tional social structures, and to the Cold War exploitation of the country's internal divisions by Russians and Americans in the 1970s, the Somalis have been incapable of giving themselves stable and competent

government, even when left alone to try.

Factions and warlords anxious to impose their self-interested power have produced chronic, ruthless and, for the past three years (as well as the foresecable future), unresolvable civil struggle, while inflicting pillage and starvation upon the people.

In theory, the United Nations could provide a needed neocolonialism, which could take the legal character of a mandated governing authority im-posed by the world community. The warlords would have to be disarmed, rather than negotiated with -as the United States initially did when it intervened in December. A provisional civil administration would be set up throughout the country; programs of long-term social development, education and economic reconstruction would begin -all with the ambition of handing government back to Somalis in a decade, perhaps two, possibly three. All of which, of course, is nonsense. That is what

the European colonial powers in Africa claimed to be doing 30 years ago, and what some of them were By William Pfaff

doing. However, the winds of anti-imperialism, swept to storm strength by World War II, destroyed European colonialism during the 1950s and 60s—even high-minded colonialism. No one is going to re-establish it oow, oot in the 20th

When the American gunships have finished their work, the Pakistani and othes troops have been replaced and the media swarm has moved on to its next victim, Somalia will be handed back to its

It has needed policemen, agronomists, engineers, bookkeepers, civil administrators. It got an occupying army without a coherent political mission, dominated by doctrines of technical solutions and overthe Somalis will suffer them, because all the rest aid workers — will eventually go home.

malia and in ex-Yugoslavia are profoundly mistak-en, which is why both affairs have turned out so badly. Somalia has needed government, but will not get it. Yugoslavia already has four competent gov-ernments, three of them at war with one another. (The fourth, to Slovenia, has managed to slip aside.) All three of the belligerent governments possess

century. (We will see about the 21st.)

warlords and to starvation.

kill. Now everyone faces the consequences. But only except perhaps for the endlessly brave and patient Facile comparisons between intervention to So-

popular legitimacy and the capacity, left alone, to function as well, or as badly, as the other govern-

ments of Balkan Europe.

The war is the result of the attempt by two of

them to expand at the expense of the third, whose territories they wish to annex. The object of international intervention should have been to defend international legality, interdict aggression and pro-tect burnan rights as guaranteed under international covenants. No one asked the United Nations to supply Yugoslavia with a new government or governments, national reconciliation, a solution to its

nationality problems, an overall political settlement. Yet the United Nations, the European governments and Community, and the United States, to the extent that it has allowed itself to become involved, have attempted to accomplish all of those impossible tasks that they were not asked to perform, while ignoring those objectives that they were potentially competent to achieve. This was because the former, being machievable, were soft options, while the latter, being serious, were hard options, involving commitment and risk.

By attempting to do what it is incompetent to do, the United Nations, as agent of the nebulous international community.

international community, has lost authority and undermined its capacity to function credibly in future crises. This is a great tragedy, because both in Africa and elsewhere to the non-Western world. as well as in the troubled countries that have emerged from the Communist bloc, the international community's belp is needed.

Intellectual confusion and policy disorder, and of course the cowardice of the democracies' leadership, have undermined the prospect that the countries in need will get that help.

Iraemotional Herald Tribune.

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The Presidential Job Is to Change a Balky System given up on your presidency. That would be a tragically shortsighted re-

By Jim Hoagland

D EAR MR. PRESIDENT: At a holiday dirent at the new year, you challenged those present to do something for you: to tell you if we inspiring and uplifting sbort speeches I have ever heard a public figure give. No one who heard you speak about your hopes and intentions that night could bave doubted your sincerity.

So here goes: Mr. President, don't feel so besieged. Filter out the whining quality that has crept toto your public pro-nouncements. Don't tack so often before the changing winds of your opponears and your critics (and remember that crucial difference). Stay the course of idealism and change that

took you to victory last year. I was delighted to see you begin to do some of these things at your press conference on Tuesday, where you stoutly defended your commitment to change. But you were still in a defen-

sive crouch most of the time. You need to go back on offense

with your own program.
You still reminded us too often of

how hard it is to do what you are trying to do: to change a system that bitterly resists change. Remind us instead of how necessary and, yes, right it is to do what you are trying to do. Your job is to persuade Americans to believe again that govern-

NEW YORK - When I found

myself wondering whether Ruth Bader Ginsburg had paid taxes for her

household help and whom she had hired to care for her two children, now

grown, I knew something had gone

awry with the search for public ser

vants in the Clinton administration.

lore, sent to the president in support

of Judge Ginsburg from lawyers and

scholars, rabbis and deans.

On my desk were encomiums ga-

Michael Sovern, until recently the

president of Columbia University,

wrote, "She would, put simply, make

the court as an institution look

good," Janet Benshoof, president of

the Center for Reproductive Law and

Policy, called her "a distinguished

jurist whose deep commitment to jus-

tice and exceptional treatment of the

Gunther, a professor at Stanford.

admitted: "I have never before writ-

ten to the president to urge the selec-

tion of a particular nominee for the

Judge Giosburg — "superb ana-

She has also become the exception

lytical ability, capacity for leader-ship --- became his exception.

to the prevailing culture to the Clin-

ton administration. The president

made a fine choice in Judge Gins-burg, the mother of all sex discrimi-

nation linigators, a founder of the

Women's Rights Project of the Amer-

But her worthy elevation came at

the end of another go-round of the Bill

ican Civil Liberties Union.

The constitutional scholar Gerald

law is inspiring."

Supreme Court."

Why am I presumptuous enough

to respood to your invitation? These thoughts have been taking shape for some time now, as secondary issues

Stay the course of idealism and change that took you to victory, Mr. President.

such as homosexuals serving in the military and glitches like an airport being closed down for your haircut have blocked your primary message. My coocerns about your defensiveness came sharply into focus on

Mooday as I watched you rebuke a reporter who asked about the "zigzag" process hy which you chose Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg for the Supreme Court. That televised moment captured an unnecessary sense of a hesieged president and overreaction, especially when compared to another recent televised image I will mentioo in a moment

I understand your irritation with

Great Court Choice, Deplorable Process

By Anna Quindlen

their candidacy known, hang them out to dry in the court of public opinion

and finally, if occessary, dump them. This pattern has become progres-

sively worse in the months since Zoe Baird had a problem adjudged harm-

less, then troubling, finally catestroph-

ic. One of the greatest fears about Mr.

Clinton during the campaign was that be was too slick, too political. It has

come to this - that some of us wish he

Appeals Court Judge Stephen G.

Breyer, hospitalized recently after a bicycling accident, may be forgiven if

be feels as if he had also been hit by a

After meeting with Mr. Clinton on Friday, Judge Breyer was said by White House aides, who leak more

than a newborn baby, to have the vacuncy wrapped up. But he had a problem. He had not paid taxes for a

woman who cleaned his house. The

word is that be and the president did

not hit it off. But some senators

suggested that after Ms. Baird's

withdrawal, and after Judge Kimba

Wood bad also been dumped for

fear that her quite different child-

care situation might be confused

with Ms. Baird's, overlooking Judge

Brever's transgression would be seen

is a stupid standard. It is stupid to

nitpick nominees and ignore the full

measure of their accomplishments

Never mind double standard. This

as a double standard.

bollix: Consider capable people, make and world view. This almost hap-

would rise to slickness.

selection process.

ment can change their lives for the the question. But the press did not something for you: to tell you if we felt you were making a mistake. The cutting the deficit with tax increases in one of the most and budget spending cuts.

suffer because of your retort. You did. Like an actor stepping on his and budget spending cuts. from the positive slow of this excellent communation and Judge Ginsberg's moving acceptance remarks. With all due respect, Mr. President, your response was unpresidential.

You did well to come back to the subject by scheduling the Tuesday press conference. But that was a temporary fix. You should ponder the enormous difference that exists between image-making as candidate and image-making as president. The image of a presidential candi-

date is in one sense personal property. It belongs to the candidate, an entrereneur who will live or die by how well he (coming soon: he or she) tends that image. The public and the media reward adept candidate image repair. But the presidential image belongs

to the nation. The president is not an entrepreneur. He is First Employee. Americans take personally and internalize their president's shortcomings in ways that the French or the Russians or others never would. His goofs are for a time their goofs — until they give up on him. Calling in the repairmen usually compounds the problem for a president.

No one who is serious or fair has

pened with Judge Ginsburg, a former law professor who tirelessly litigated

the cases that brought women into the 20th century during the 1970s.

that because of its sweep, Roe v. Wade had contributed to the divi-

sive oature of abortion politics and

cut off state legislative reforms. The

leaders of several women's groups

said privately that they found this troubling, which, in bollix terms,

I disagree with the conclusions in

the judge's speech. I think there are

fundamental rights and concerns that

must be addressed by sweeping judi-

cial decisions, not piecemeal state

legislation, and that bodily totegrity

is one. But it would be foolish for me

therefore to ignore a career that has

been devoted to the highest levels of

scholarship, legal thought and advo-

cacy for women. I cannot disagree with her essential worth, wisdom or

The choice: first-rate. The process:

deplorable. The public verting, the leaks and the tendency of this admin-

istration to abandon people at the first sign of trouble must all stop.

Judge Ginsburg's selection should

be a model - chosen on meril and

not ideology, despite some naysay-ing, with little advance publicity. Her treatment could begin to over-

turn a terrible precedent: that is, that the most terrifying sentence among

the accomplished in America has be-

come, "Honey - the White House is

The New York Times,

on the phone."

fitness for this position.

translates into trouble.

In March, she argued in a speech

sponse based on five months during which you have mostly been "in office but not in power," to borrow a phrase recently used about the British prime minister, John Major. It shouldn't take much to get a new wave of "Comeback Kid" stories. Re-

porters seeking fresh angles will discover that, like Mark Twain's father, you have learned a lot in a short time. You should use this next cycle to get the wind of idealism and change back into your kite. It could be your last chance to balance your presiden-

cy on a solid foundation.

The papers say you watched the Phoenix Suns defeat the Chicago Bulls in the National Basketball Association playoffs on Sunday. Think about an image from that game that contrasted so vividly and usefully with your shot at the television reporter Brit Hume and your tendency to fret in public that you have done everything possible you can do (on Bosnia, the stimulus package, etc.) but others just will not cooperate.

Remember how the injured Suns' star, Charles Barkley, kept smiling through pain and adversity, inspiring his teammates at moments when they made mistakes and seemed grid locked or headed for certain defeat by a stronger opponent.

Sir Charles showed heart, and

leadership. He prevailed in a game that had to be won, whatever had happened before and whatever was yet to come for his team. Sports analogies rarely apply in life, but there was something about

Charles Barkley that night that was reminiscent of an appealing young man who won the grueling pre tial campaign marathon last year. That young man seemed to understand that the president's job is to lead, not to explain why gridlock makes leading impossible.

The Washington Post.

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By Roy Denman

B RUSSELS—At regular intervals, like the dance of the hours in the great clock towers of Central Europe, there is movement about Japan. Some bewail its steadily rising trade surplus with the West. Others canvass solutions. Still others point out that there is nothing wrong with a trade simples and that cutting imports would break the international trading rules and wreck the world trading system. The dance has started again Is-

pan's current account surplus, worth \$118 billion in 1992, is expected to reach \$140 billion this year — \$50 billion with the United States alone. In Washington, a cabinet-level committee recommended late last month to President Bill Climton that he adopt a confrontational economic policy, challenging Japan to cut its worldwide trade surplus by up to 50 percent over the next three years.
Would this be justified? On some grounds, no. One reason for Japan's success is that the Japanese work more intensively for less reward than do Americans or Europeans.

But there is another reason: The Japanese do not have to rely on the traditional means of protection in Western economies — although some of their tariffs on food and drink are high, and barriers created by techni-cal standards can be formidable. There is a fundamental antipathy

There is a fundamental antipathy against buying foreign goods. A token quantity of manufactured goods is allowed in, but anything consumed in bulk should be Japanese-made.

Japan regards itself as a separate world that buys from the guijin (foreigner) only when it has to. The attitude is changing, but only marginally. What can be done? There is no shortage of snake oil remedies. But none has worked. Tackling structural impediments to trade was rather like

impediments to trade was rather like trying to demolish an ancient castle by scraping slivers off of bricks. Playing with the dollar-yen exchange rate
was like defying gravity.

Increased Japanese spending on
infrastructure? This would help, but

countries that cannot run their own economies have had limited success preaching to others.

Managed trade? This amounts cither to telling Japan to, say, increase its imports of monkey wreaches by 18.5 percent — a move that would have little international cretibility or to Washington arbitrarily reducing certain imports from Japan, which would bring justified retabation.

To find a solution, return to the basic problem. This is that Japan does

not fit into the rules of the modern trading world — the General Agree-ment on Tariffs and Trade — drafted by the Americans and the British after World War It clapses is appared more, cy, it is an association for the advance-ment of the interests of Japan. So what the leaders of the Wessen

world need to say to Japan, at the national attitude is required, and it must be as big as some of the changes that followed the Meij protocorion Japan needs to pay its full-dues to the international trading club by

opening up its markets to foreigners— and incidentally giving its workers the housing and living standard they have carned - in return for the access that Japan has had to Western markets. When the Japanese demur, two points need to be made, and not as threats but as serious points in a seri-

ous discussion. The first is that if they do not act, then the U.S. Congress will, blocking imports from Japan — and nothing will be able to stop it, trade war or no trade war. The second is that under international trading rules, the Western powers can take Japan to court.

Article 23 of the GATT provides that "if any contracting party should consider that any benefit accruing to it directly or indirectly under this agree-ment is being nullified or impaired,"

then it can take the matter to the contracting parties with a view, if no settlement is found, to getting authorization to suspend concessions. In plain English, this would mean raising tariffs against Japan.

The European Community tried this approach in the early 1980s but the United States did not go along

worried about appearing to being ganging up" sgainst Japan. In vain we Europeans pointed out that it was not a question of ganging up, but simply of exercising our rights. The approach was dropped. If the Community and the United States, which together account for more than a third of world trade, were

now to take this line, the odds are that most of the international trading community would follow. Japan would have no option but to comply. International Herald Tribune.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Cyclist Rejected

LONDON — Disappointment has been felt on its becoming known that Mr. Zimmermann, the famous American rider, has been refused a licence to compete in the championship races al Herne Hill, The National Cyclists' union, who jealously maintain the distinction between professional and amateur riders, are making a dead set at what are called "makers" amatears. It is not pretended that Mr. Zimmermann is in the pay of any maker, but the Cyclists' Union make a hard and fast rule, and have granted him a licence on condition he does not ride a bicycle of the type hitherto adopted by him. He refuses.

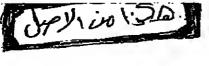
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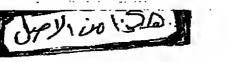
ROME - Speaking in the Chamber to-day [June 16] Signor Scipari said: "Yesterday we lost only two aero-planes, compared with 32 lost by the enemy. In the name of this assembly l express gratitude to the Flying

Corps." (Loud applause.) Signor Chiesa read a despatch from the Chief Aviation Command: "During the first day of the battle our aviation, despite unfavorable conditions, co-operated very actively in the battle. Five bombing operations were effected. Our attacks at low altitude completely demonstrated our superiority in the air." (Hearty applause.)

1943: Axis Peace Feelers LONDON - [From our New York

edition: Two new, roundabout Axis peace feelers were reported today [June 16] while the Allied war of nerves continued unabated, stinging Berlin into boasting of the security of its Balkan bastions on the eastern Mediterranean. Reports from Anka-ra said Rumania was sounding out the Allies on what she might gain by withdrawing from war as an Axis satellite, and an apparent German propaganda plant in Sweden said. Germany and Russia recently had discussed peace negotiations:





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OPINION

Try a Back-to-Basics Tack To Save America's Cities

By E.J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON — After the turn of the century, Socialist mayors were elected in a host of American cities, not so much because voters wanted to turn the places into red citadels but because local Socialists were regarded as more honest and efficient than either the Republicans or the Democrats.

The Socialists got the much collected and kept the sewers in good repair. They thus entered history as "sower Socialists Richard Riordan, the new mayor of Los Angeles, would seem to have nothing in common with the sewer Socialists. A registered Republican who talked about crime and business confidence, he promised that he was "tough enough to turn I.A. around." He won a significant magnity of the Latino and Asian votes, but his vote was overwhelmingly white.

Amiddle class and relatively conservative.

Yet just as municipal Socialists heraided a broader movement toward ur-

Kojak liberals argue that the biggest problems confronted by the urban poor are created by violence and lawlessness.

ban progressivism 90 years ago, so does Mr. Riordan symbolize a back-to-basics mood in the cities now. Democrats and liberals who want to maintain their power in urban areas will lose more elections if they fail to respond. What the cities need are "Kojak liberals," who would draw inspiration from the television cop (played by Telly Savalas) who was tough as nails but had a beart of gold.

Would-be Kojak liberals could learn from a recent lecture at the Smithsonian by Nathan Glazer, a Harvard sociologist who has been studying New York City for decades. His point was straightfor-ward: In the past 30 years, he said, New York City has spent a smaller share of its budget on things local government knows how to do — putting policemen on the street, picking up the garbage, keeping libraries open and the parks clean — and more on things it doesn't know so much about — social-service programs. 22 - 22 - 229 (Charles)

Mr. Glazer based his analysis on figures provided in a recent book, "Power Failure: New York City Politics and Policy Since 1960." Its principal authors, Charles Brecher and Raymond Horton. suggest that the New York City experience has national implications, since the increase in local spending on social-service programs in the 1960s was pushed along by the federal government.

It is important to be honest about the implications of Mr. Glazer's argument. Social-service spending has mostly benefited the orban poor and - perhaps at least as importantly — the providers (sothe state of the s

cial workers, health administrators and the like) who served them. In the cities, the poor are disproportionately African-American and Latino, The social-service jobs were an important source of African-American upward mobility, they opened up just as racial barriers fell.

More traditional "basic services" help all classes, since rich and poor alike benefit from more cops on the beat and safer public parks. And despute recent gains, minorities have tended to have a smaller share of the basic services jobs. So the basic-services vs.-social-services argument can get acrimonious, breaking down along lines of race, class and source of employment (i.e., whether you work for local government or not).

Kojak liberals insest that it is time to get pass such arguments. In principle they are sympathetic to a whole range of promanus for the needs. But they are sympathetic to a whole range of promanus for the needs.

programs for the needy. But they argue that for now the biggest problems confronted by the inner-city poor are created by rising violence and lawlessness.

This view accepts that poverty causes crime, but it also holds that crime causes

poverty. High crime rates make life miserable for the law-abiding majority among the poor. Crime is also a barrier to economic development and job creation. Thus, Kojak liberals are unabashed in saying that when it comes to priorities, law enforcement and crime prevention get top billing. Kojak liberalism is not confined to

older gays who are white ethnics and bald. But it may help to be a cop: drug czar Lee Brown and the Los Angeles police chief, Willie Williams, both African-Americans, are certainly part of the breed. They understand that liberals have been uneasy with the crime issue ever since Republicans used "law and order" as code for race in the 1960s. But they insist that crime is now a basic civil rights issue. Children of the well-off rarely worry about having their playtime interrupted by gun lights between rival games. For the poorest children, espe-cially minority children, it happens a lot.

The federal government, which helped boost social-service spending in the 1960s, now needs to help on the basic services. In the short run, any help will do, including President Bill Clinton's proposal to use federal money to put 100,000 more cops on the streets.

But in the long run, Washington needs to think about a reapportionment of responsibilities. If the federal government could ever liberate the states and cities from the huge costs associated with health care, it would free up a lot of money to make the streets safer, the parks cleaner, the cities more livable.

However it gets done, the priority of restoring order in the cities ought to engage anyone who cares about those trapped in poverty. If they were still around, my guess is that the sewer So-cialists would be Kojak liberals, too. The Washington Past.

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Banana and Onion Time at Old Gitmo

T UCSON, Arizona—Lucking for a base to close" Start with the U.S. navai base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Notonous as the processing station for ficeing Haitians, the outpost serves no purpose that could not be served as

effectively by Rossevelt Roads Naval Base in Puerto Rico. Getting rid of it would save \$36 million a year and case tension between the Unit-

ed States and Cubu. And since southeast-MEANWHILE

em Cuba lies in no congressional district. Americans would not hear any congressmen whiring about the loss of jobs. Why are Americans at Guantinamo?

Sex hundred Marines landed there in 1898 to help Cuba win independence from Spair. A makeshift hand played There i. Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," the legend goes, and the Marines haven't left yet. Until 1959 the camp that sevicemen

13" "Crimo" was a low-profile installation known to saliers for easy access to wine, women and a hospitable country. Since then, mane fields have sprouted on both ades. Cuba has neglected its menes, rendering many of them ineffec-

rines and this spring to a Cuban who tried to creas into the base. The original agreement between the two countries in 19% called for an annu-

tive. L.S. mines are serviced regularly.

resulting in occasional injuries to Ma-

By Tom Miller

al payment of \$2,000, which has been periodically bumped higher. The current price is \$4,085. The United States is in the enviable position of an imperious tenant who establishes the rent, controls the lease and ignores the landlord.

Since 1960 Cuba has not cashed the

rent checks; to do so would acknowledge the legitimacy of the lease. About 500 Marines guard the 115-quare-kilometer base. Some 1,900 na-

val personnel give ships from the North Atlantic fleet shakedowns and time-ups. train their crews and menitor the airspace over eastern Cuba. The camp is not so much vilified as nored by the Cubans who live nearby.

The road into Caimanera, about a kilometer away, has a billboard proclaiming "Cuba's First Anti-Imperialist Bunker." Once a town known for debauchery, it is now supported by salt mining.
When I was there last fall, the people in this anti-imperialist bunker were easy to

chat with. An artist at a storefront gallery talked painting. Young hoys in karate outins waved as they practiced kicks. On a flower-lined porch, a retired but driver from the base reminisced about working for the Americans. He is one of the many former employees caught in the stalemate. The U.S. Trading with the Enemy Act has, since 1962, forbidden

the payment of pensions to retired Cu-

bans unless they ahandon their homeland for another country.

When I spent some time with Cuba's Frontier Brigade, I said I had been given the dog-and-pony show at the base and that now it was their turn to give me "un especificulo de mambo y rumba" — a

song and dance. The troops obliged, They spend their time in towers looking through binoculars at the Marines looking back at them. A large underground chamber is dominated by a bas-relief map of Gitmo so detailed that streets in residential housing and outbuildings in security zones were clear. The Cuban military knows the base better than most Americans living there do.

The food at the Frontier Brigade mess was no better or worse than that at Gitmo. The barracks were spit-polish clean, Extra acreage was used for raising bananas, yuca, onions, peppers, tomatoes — more a necessity than idle pleasure. I asked one soldier how things have

changed over the years.
"Well," he said, "both sides have pulled back from the fence, so there are far fewer provocations.

What did he see in the future? "When we take over, we'll plant crops there."

After 90 years, it's time for the U.S. Navy to sail away.

The writer is author of "Trading With the Enemy. A Yankee Tracels Through Castro's Cuba." He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Choices in Bosnia

The international community should face up henestly to the only two alterna-tives in Bosnia — arming and giving air support to the country's defenders, or acquiescing in a greater Serbia, with the completion of ethnic cleansing not only in Bosnia but in Kosovo and Voivodina as well. Despite the protests of the "we flubbed it in Bosma but we'll be tougher the next time" school, it is hard to imagine intervention in these two territories, which are part of Serbia. After all, the world failed to intervene in Bosnia-Herzegovina, an internationally recognized sovereign state that has existed as a political entity (1878 to 1918, 1945 to the present) for longer than Yugoslavia itself.
Continued debate about the Vance-Owen plan has little relation to reality. As for that latest triumph of diplomacy,

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the safe haven plan, it is hard to imagine a better gift to Serbia's president. Slobo-

dan Milosevic. It would solve the prob-

lem of dealing with unwelcome Muslims

cassuming that mass deportations and limuidation are not realistic alternatives). And the added United Nations troops would provide more hostages against (unlikely) opposition to the next steps in ethnic cleaning and a convement target for the excess energies of the Bosman Serbian militiamen - lest they dream of kicking up any dust closer to the center of greater Serbia.

REYNOLD RIEMER

Looking the Other Way Regarding "It's Their Balkan Quarrel"

(Opinium, June 2):

José Cutileiro blurs significant dis-tinctions, makes Bosnian Muslims look as guilty of atrocities as Bosnian Serbs. sidesteps the central fact of direct involvement by Serbia and implies that the conflict is not of world concern. No wonder the European Community looks the other way when Sarajevo, Goradze and Maglaj are destroyed. With peacekeepers like these, the Bosnian

> HAROUN ER RASHID. Dhaka, Bangladesh.

He Who Gets Blamed

Muslims do not need enemies.

Regarding the report "Will Clinton's Stambling Ever End?" (May 24) by Thomas L. Friedman:

Really, is this worthy of front-page display? Writers in your newspaper have planned Bill Clinton for everything from the Waco, Texas, tragedy to the continuation of the massacre in former Yugoslavia.

Plenty of Americans still believe in Mr. Cintor. He represents a breath of fresh air and an opportumity to confront some of the fundamental problems that plague the country — a long-awaited break from the "old boy network."

JOHN HEERMANS. CECILIA POLANSKY. Parakou, Benin.

Blame the Filibusterers

When the Republicans stuged a filibuster in the Senate last month you let them off much too lightly, Instead of saying how appallingly undemocratic a filibuster is, your writers seemed to interpret it as weakness in President Bill Cunton. Why not put the blame where it ready lies: on a Republican leadership that is trying to discredit, malign and undermine the president at every turn?

M.G. KUHNS. Bembridge. Isle of Wight, England.

Raise Auto Efficiency

Regarding "An Energy Crisis Stulls Washington" (Opinion, May 27):

Considering all of the problems with an energy tax many of the stated goals could be achieved in a much simpler fashion by raising automobile fuel efficiency standards from the current 27.5 miles per gallon average (about 11 kilo-meters per liter) to 40 miles. The technology to achieve this is available. Such a measure would lead to straightforward reductions in oil consumption and pol-lution. The 27.5 standard already has cut easoline consumption by 2.5 million barrels per day since 1973.

If it is necessary to raise tax revenues, why not impose a purchase tax on new cars according to engine size?

Consideration could also be given to

offering a tax break to owners who trade in their old gas-guzzlers for new models, and to continuing to support ownership of cars powered by domestic natural gas. RAND GUEBERT. London

The Reagan Years

Regarding "Bobby Kennedy Did Care, and It Made a Difference" (June 1): Anthony Lewis deplores the divisions in American society, blaming, as usual, President Ronald Reagan, Most Ameri-

cans believed the Reagan years to be an era of personal responsibility, pride in country and reward for hard work. Charitable contributions were at an alltime high and unemployment low, Mr. Lewis calls these years "selfish" because people feel that they know best how to spend their own money. Like most liberals, he knows best how to cure the ills of the world --- by spending others' money PAUL R. PUMA. San Luis Rey, California.

Irremediable Damage

Regarding "So Biodiversity is Doomed? Let's Take a Cool Recount (Opinion, May 14):

The presext of "no conclusive evidence" is often the excuse for inaction. The traditional reactionary problem-solving approach is: Take action only after serious damage. But late action can be more costly and some damage is irremediable, such as the extinction of species GORDON NO.

The Conservancy Association. Hong Kong.

The Inside Story

As to why Americans do not eat in pards (American Topics, May 24) there is one simple reason: they are slimy and unappetizing! End of story.

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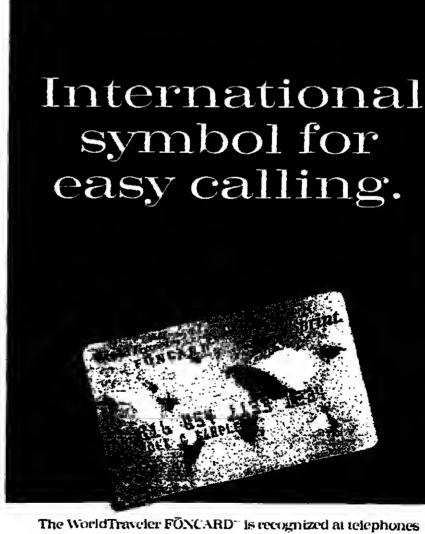
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ECATUR, Illinois — Until the resistance began at the Caterpillar plant here. Lance Vaughan first installed a set of small hydraulic hoses on the tage off-highway trucks that he helps to assemble, and then a big outside hose. Now he installs the big one first, and reaches awkwardly around it to attach the others; losing production time in the process. This is not sabotage. The instructions furnished by Caterpillar's engineers specify the inefficient procedure. Mr. Vaughan says. Normally, he ignores such instructions and makes a note to himself to tell the engineers to Workers try to get

fix the mistake. Now, he no companies to negotiate longer speaks up. Withholding companies to nego initiative, he works "to the by slowing output."

"I used to give the engineers ideas," said Mr. Vaughan, 38, who has worked at Caterpillar for nearly 20 years. "We showed them how to climinate some hose clips and save money. And I recommended larger bolts that made assembly easier and faster and were less likely to come loose."

Mr. Vaughan's behavior is being multiplied hundreds of times in Decatur, interviews with workers show. A slowdown is taking place not only at Caterpillar but also at A.E. Staley Manufacturing Co., whose com-processing operation spreads like a refinery over 400 acres (162 hectares) near the center of Decatur, turning out softdrink sweeteners, corn oil and other products.

At both companies, tough new work conditions — including reduced seniority rights and, at Staley, 12-hour workdays — were imposed after an impasse in contract negotiations. In response, union workers like Mr. Vaughan at Caterpillar and Patricia Zilz at Staley are trying to slow production and thus force the companies

A back to the bargaining table.

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Ms. Zilz works with three other waste-water analysts who now drive a truck around the vast plant collecting water samples at 15 miles an hour, the company speed limit, rather than the 25 miles an hour or more that got the job done more quickly in the past.

That sort of resistance is making this city, set among fields of corn and soybeans 175 miles (281 kilometers) south of Chicago, the most significant battleground to date for a novel union tactic: Rather than strike, and risk losing jobs to outsiders hired to replace them, the nearly 2,500 union members at Caterpillar and Staley are staying on the job and trying what they call an "in-plant strategy."

They are testing, in effect, the widely held proposition that in

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Levitating Beyond Bureaucracy Germany's Magnetic Train May Choose Debut in Florida

By Brandon Mitchener

LATHEN, Germany — Traveling on a cushion of air, the Transrapid, Germany's experimental levitating train, whooshes past fields, forests and an abandoned canal at 400 kilometers (250 miles) per hour, ittilizing tourists and filling Hans Georg Raschbichler with winds. with pride.

"It's ready," said the head of the new transportation-technology division at Thyssen Henschel, as he put the train through its pacet for visitors at a 31.5 kilometer test track in northern Germany's Emsland, a rural region near the Dutch border.

Twenty years and billions of Deutsche marks since it was first conceived, however, the Transrapid has yet to sail through Bonn, and industry officials say there is a good chance the trans's maiden commercial journey will be in Florida, not Germany

The Transrapid's odyssey through the Bom beresscracy is fast becoming a classic case study of the perilons state of German high technology. "Germans are colossally slow to put phoneer projects into motion." said Mr. Raschbichler. "There's always some new obstacle, and in the end we lose the technology edge and eventually have to im-port it back from competitors abroad." He cited Economics Minister Gunter Rex-

By Tom Buerkle

BRUSSELS - Germany remained on a col-

lision course with its European Community partners Wednesday despite efforts to defuse a dispute over Bonn's separate deal on telecommunications with Washington.

The Economics Ministry in Boom said that

although the government had agreed to consult with the EC Commission over the dispute, it had prepared a letter for Washington formaliz-

ing the telecommunications accord and intend-

"We will have consultations with the com-

nission about the content of the letter to the

United States," but not about whether it will be

The commission, which handles trade negoti-ations for the 12 EC nations, had welcomed the German assurances on consultations earlier in

the day, saying they regarded the assurances as

sent, a ministry representative said.

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ment obstacles to innovation in genetic engineering microelectronics and nuclear-reactor technology as a ray of hope. "Hopefully the Transcaped will also profit from the campaign," he said.

is one promising move, the government last mouth included a magnetic-levitation train roote from Hamburg to Berlin in a revision of Germany's long-term transporta-tion plan. In doing so, Bonn tacitly agreed that the "magley" train — in which taxpavers have severted 1.8 billion DM (\$1.1 billion)

have invested 1.8 billion DM (\$1.1 billion) since 1969 — is a viable alternative to a conventional high-speed train link between Germany's two biggest critics.

But in a sign of Boun's strong aversion to risk at a time of tight budgets, the government said it would only pay to build the track, not the trains, and demanded that private industry operate the transit service

The train's manufacturers cried foul even warning that they might prefer to take their expertise elsewhere — notably the United States — rather than be saddled with the imprecedented demand of owning and operting an independent railway in Germany.

No one has ever had to finance a transportation project in Germany privately before," said Mr. Raschbichler, who put the project's estimated price tag at 10 billion to

a commitment by Germany not to exchange

take legal action against Germany, which could

lead it to sue the Bonn government in the European Court of Justice.

France again rejected a farm pact. Page 13.

The dollar surged as the mark sugged. Page 12.

nity, Dietrich von Kyaw, told other EC ambas-sadors at their weekly meeting in Brussels that his government was confident it had acted

legally, both in refusing to apply a restrictive new EC law to American suppliers of telecom-

munications equipment and in subsequently agreeing with Washington to exempt each other

from retaliatory sanctions, sources said. EC and German officials agreed that the

issue was now primarily a political rather than a

But Germany's ambassador to the Commu-

ion also reiterated its threat to

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letters with Washington for now.

13 billion DM before operations can begin in 2002. "If an application in Germany is not possible. America is the alternative," he said. Now is a good time to introduce a private

operated Transrapid because the tradition-2. German railway network is also being privatized," countered Christian Lenzer, the ranking majority member in parliament responsible for federal research-and-developent spending.
Mr. Lenzer said the Hamburg-Berlin pro-

ject would be dead if Thyssen and its partners, the German industrial giants Daimler-Berz AG and Siemens AG, failed to come up with an alternative financial plan by the end of the year that significantly reduces risk for

the government.

If they are convinced the service can be operated at a profit, they should be willing to

The Hamburg-Berlin route would connect Germany's fastest-growing cities, cutting travel time to less than an hour on the 300 kilometer trip from city center to city center. The Transrapid consortium predicts the train would carry 15 million people a year as travclers abandon airline service between the two

Because the Transrapid accelerates much more quickly than alternative high-speed trains, its speed would also not be compro-See TRAIN, Page 13

tions pact last week by the U.S. trade represen-

tative. Mickey Kantor, had made a political

been obvious," one German source said. "They

should have known since the beginning that

Germany does not apply Article 29."

Article 29 of the EC utilities directive in-

has refused to apply it to American companies,

The furor over the arrangement also makes it

The dispute threatens to cloud a meeting

unlikely that Germany's EC partners would

allow it to carry out its deal with Washington

between Mr. Kantor and the EC trade commis-

sioner. Sir Leon Brittan, in London on Thurs-

citing a 1954 treaty with Washington.

quietly and informally, EC sources said.

Bankers Pledge To Stick With Ailing Ferruzzi

ROME - Banks owed billions of dollars by the Ferruzzi group, Italy's second largest private con-cern, pledged late Wednesday to back the debt-laden conglomerate as it struggles to restructure.

After a four-hour crisis meeting

held at the Bank of Italy, the 15 leading creditors said restructuring should preserve the strategic activities of the family-controlled group. Womes about Ferruzzi's debt of 30 trillion lire (\$20.3 billion) have more than halved the value of stock in group companies and unnerved

the country's bankers.
The banks, accounting for twothirds of the group's overall debts, have unanimously agreed to sup-port the restructuring program and saleguard the integrity of its strategic activities," the ANSA news agency quoted a creditors' state-

ment as saying.
The banks had gathered to assess any threat to the credit system posed by the problems of the Ferruzzis. Italy's second-richest family.

As a measure of the concern surrounding the group, the meeting was chaired by the Bank of Italy's deputy governor and the head of its ank-supervision section. iegal one. And there was growing frustration that the announcement of the telecommunica-

Further underscoring the gravity of the crisis, ANSA said that Trea-sury Minister Piero Barucci would discuss Ferruzzi's debt crisis with solution nearly impossible to achieve.

"The trouble is that the American side has the Finance Committee of the lower house of parliament next Tues-day. Even Prime Minister Carlo Azeglio Ciampi commented during tried to formalize something that should have an official tour in France, and was quoted as saying he did not think the Ferruzzi crisis risked damaging ludes preferences for EC bidders. Germany Italy's economic recovery.

Meanwhile, worries about the

survival of the group led to a fur-ther pounding of its shares by pan-icky investors, who have been bailing out since the crisis erupted two

Common stock of Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA closed Wednesday at 475 lire, down 20 percent from But top banking officials were confident the crisis would not develop into another of the international debt scandals that have ravaged Italy's image in the past two years.

Had creditors refused to back Ferruzzi, it could have forced the collapse of the group, which in turn could have threatened massive losses for the institutions that lent Ferruzzi money. The Ferruzzi crisis has already

cast a shadow over the planned privatizations of Credito Italiano and Banca Commerciale Italiana. which are owed several trillion lire. Ferruzzi, which controls the Montedison chemicals conglomerate, ran up the bulk of its massive debt during the late 1980s when it went on an acquisition binge, buy-

ing up dozens of companies around the world. The sharp devaluation of the lira last year, which raised the value of the debt owed by the group, rapidly turned a worrying debt situation into a crisis.

Five of the major Italian bankowed money by Ferruzzi have been handed executive powers to try to set un a rescue plan. Ferruzzi is trying to sell off some nonessential companies in a bid to

cut debt, industry analysis expect the pace of sales to accelerate Hopes of a rescue belped Monte-

dison stock rise 45 lire to 835 lire.

■ Shell Affirms Venture

Royal Dutch/Shell Group said it remained optimistic that its planned polymers joint venture with Montedison would go ahead despite the debt crisis at Ferruzzi, Reuters reported from London. A Shell spokesman said that the

two companies "remain enthusias-tic about the proposed merger" and that "discussions are continuing." The companies announced plans

last autumn to merge the polypro-pylene and polyethylene businesses of Montedison with Shell to create

and 48 percent more trucks.

John Akers Signs On Lorenzo's Line

By Adam Bryant New York Times Service

NEW YORK - John F. Akers, the former chairman of IBM, has signed on as a director and investor in Frank Lorenzo's fledgling venture to operate a low-cost airline along the U.S. East Coast.

The two executives said their rtnership made sense in light of shared interests and back-grounds. Both have tried to restructure large, established companies and have had their fill of criticism. Both are in their 50s, have no wish to retire and are eager to get back into a

"It's a lot easier to start with a clean sheet of paper than to change an organization that has been in existence for a long time," said Mr. Akers. Mr. Akers, 58, will own

roughly 5 percent of the stock in the carrier. Until recently, the venture was known as Friendship Airlines, but the company said it had been forced to aban-don that name. In the meantime, it is going by its corporate name, ATX Inc.

Mr. Akers said his role would be dictated by Mr. Lorenzo, 53, If and when the airline starts flying, that may include setting up the company's computer op-

eration, be said. At present, Mr. Lorenzo faces a more pressing obstacle in Washington, something,

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also, with which Mr. Akers might be helpful. Mr. Lorenzo's application to

start the airline was met with opposition from about 150 members of Congress, who wrote to the Transportation Department urging that he be found unfit. As head of Eastern Airlines and Continental Airlines in the 1980s, be clashed hitted with the best of the clashed with the clashed between the clashed bitterly with unions.

His case has been referred to an administrative law judge, who will offer a nombinding recommendation to the Transpor-tation Department by October. Mr. Akers' role was disclosed in documents filed Tuesday as part of the formal effort to win

approval.
To date, Mr. Lorenzo has not hired a lobbying firm.

The two met several years ago when Continental joined forces with IBM to develop a computer-rescrvations system for that airline's European op-

The new airline's business plan calls for trips of no more than two hours, low operating costs, nominion employees who will have a stake in the company and low fares that offer East Coast travelers an alternative to driving or the train.

If service is approved, the machinists' and pilots' unions that waged bitter battles with Mr. Lorenzo in the 1980s vow they will conduct a campaign

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By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service

DETROIT - For years the word Honda struck fear into the U.S. auto industry. But with a strong yen forcing up prices and with many Detroit models flourish ing on quality and design, Honda Motor Co. is stumbling — still profitable but no longer the power-

house it once was. From 1989 through last Decem-

ber, for example: Honda's Accord was the best-

selling car in the United States.

• Honda's smaller Civic and sporty Preinde sold weil. · Honda was in the forefront of companies shifting production to the United States, even exporting

cars back to Japan. • With the Acura, Honda was the first Japanese automaker to market luxury cars in America.

Now, sales are tepid. Only months after the Accord was barely edged out by Ford's Taurus as the best-selling car of 1992, sales of Accords have phunged almost 35 percent. This year the Accord is not

even in the top five. Even worse, once-canny Honda was caught flat-footed in the race to market minivans and fourwheel-drive vehicles, which many Americans now substitute for allaround transportation.

In the last year, some Honda dealers have accused certain U.S. sales and marketing executives of accepting bribes and kickbacks as payment for diverting cars. Several

executives have resigned.

Few believe Honda's wounds are mortal, and Honda itself says a wave of new designs will rekindle growth. Nobuhiko Kawamoto. Honda's president, has been ex-

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Honda: How the Mighty Have Fallen

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Toyota Motor value against the dollar has increased 15 percent in 1993 alone. Corp., by the end of the decade. Honda's decline has been so

swift and unexpected that rivals, particularly Detroit's Big Three, cannot quite figure why the tables have turned. Honda "didn't get dumb overnight," said Arthur C. Liebler, vice president for public relations at Chrysler Corp., adding, They will be back."

Detroit's executives note that even in its slump, Honda remained profitable. Although worldwide revenue declined 6 percent in the financial year ended March 31 and profit declined 41 percent, the result was still a net profit of \$329

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forcing up the Japanese prices. Last

week, six of Japan's nine big auto-makers reported their earnings for

the last financial year. Collectively,

The strong yen does not fully explain the problems at Honda,

which was the only major Japanese automaker with declining sales in

the United States in 1992. Honda

they were down 76 percent.

dealerships is getting better, too," said George Peterson, president of AutoPacific Inc., an automotive marketing company in Santa Ana, California. limitally, Honda's pricing reflect-

ed efficient manufacturing and the yen's weakness. The dollar was worth 242 yen before the Plaza Accord was reached in 1985, under which the United States and its allies reduced the dollar's value to increase U.S. exports. Now a dollar has less than half the buying power for Japanese goods. By moving some phases of man-

macturing to the United States. Honda avoided many currency-related cost increases. Still the base price of its four-door Civic, \$8,175 See HONDA, Page 13



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cut production at its plants in Mar-ysville, Ohio, and in Japan. In May, Honda's sales were flat while Toyota sold 12 percent more cars and 15 percent more light trucks than in the same month of 1992. Nissan sold 24 percent more cars Many in the industry say Honda has had more difficulty than most automakers in keeping up with changing tastes and demographics.
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Computers Weaken On Profit Outlook

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks closed mixed Wednesday as concern about earnings buffeted another computer giant. Hewlett-Packard Co., and a report on housing starts prompted questions about the strength of the economic

Computer-driven buy orders fuéled a late rally in blue chips that

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pushed the Dow Jones industrial gverage up 19.65 points to close at a Session high of 3.511.65.

The computer-driveo tradiog was tied to Friday's so-called tri--ple-witching hour, when options and futures on stock indexes expire, traders said.

Advancing common stocks slightly outnumbered decliners on the New York Stock Exchange. Frading was active with about 264.5 million shares chaoging hands, up from 184.4 million on

Concero about the economy sur-"Taged after the Commerce Department said housing starts increased just 2.4 percent in May after soaring 8.1 percent in April, even though mortgage rates are at their west level in 20 years. Though May's increase marked the second

consecutive monthly rise, it fell short of the 3.1 percent rise ana-

Computer-related stocks were the day's worst performers. Hewlett-Packard numbled as low as 79½, down 7½, and closed down 3% at 83%. Company officials told analysts in Frankfurt that order rates in the first half of its financial year might not be sustainable in the second half, ending in October.

The forecast from Hewlett-Packard followed similar profit warnings in recent days from Apple Computer Inc. and Minnesota

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The slump in Hewlett-Packard's stock prompted a decline in shares of other computer companies. Digital Equipment Corp. fell 1/2 to 42%, Microsoft Corp. dropped 14 to 914, and Sun Microsystems Inc. declined 44 to 301s.

Adobe Systems Inc., which makes software used in Hewlett-Packard laser printers, fell 3 to 69.

Price Co. surged 61/4 to 381/2 after Costco agreed to merge with its rival warehouse retail chain for \$2 billion in stock. The merger will create the largest U.S. warehouseclub retailer. Costco gained 2 to 19.

Dollar Leaps as Dealers Turn Negative on Mark

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American Telephone & Tele-graph Co. plunged 1½ to 62½ as the stock retreated from a 52-week

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the dollar by making mark-denom-NEW YORK - The dollar inated investments more attractive. persoared to a three-month high Although the Bundesbank could

against the Deutsche mark on cut its discount rate after a policy wednesday, spurred by reported meeting Thursday, traders said that Wednesday, spurred by reported comments from an unnamed Ger-

The remarks, though ambiguous. were enough to send the dollar

that a slump in the mark would not reprevent the Bundesbank from cutating interest rates.

refers said. When you're looking to buy dollars, a comment like that can convince you," said John Duffy, a

Speculation that the Bundesbank will lower interest rates as bank will lower interest rates as The U.S. currency jumped to soon as this week has belped drive 5.5678 French francs from 5.5400 the dollar higher. The dollar gained francs and rose to 1.4842 Swiss even though the Bundesbank left a francs from 1.4725 francs. It weakkey money-market rate unchanged. ened, however, against the Canadi-

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sion not to cut money-market rates. The dollar jumped to 1.6637 DM — its highest level since March 18 — before finishing at 1.6560 DM, up from 1.6470 DM on Tuesday. The dollar also rose to 106.425 yen

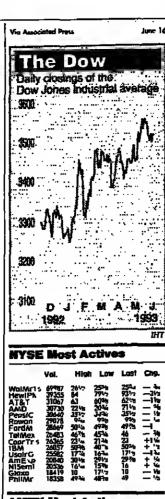
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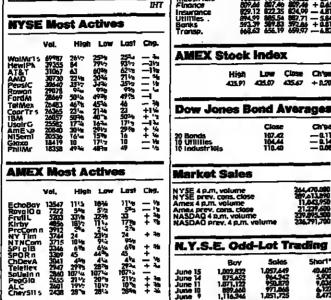
"The market is starting to look on the U.S. economy more favor-ably," said Earl Johnson, foreignexchange adviser at Harris Trust & Savings Bank, The dollar blew through several important psychological levels against the mark Wednesday, making more gains

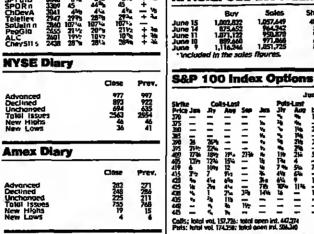
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Ciga Says Creditor Pact Near

Bloomberg Business News MILAN — Creditor banks for Ciga Hotels SpA, controlled by the Aga Khan, are close to signing an accord that would restructure the company.

plan for the 20 creditor banks, declined to comment.

a Ciga spokesman said Wednesday. In addition, creditor banks for the Aga Khan's Fimpar SpA, which owns 50.1 percent of Ciga, are expected to resolve their legal dispute over a \$100 million line of credit once Ciga's banks sign the accord.

Details of the restructuring were not known, bank spokesmen said. The investment bank Mediobanea, which is preparing the Ciga restructuring

Ciga has been trying to raise cash, either on the stock market or through the sale of several expensive hotels, for three years.

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Costco, Price Set \$2 Billion Merger

SAN DIEGO (Bloomberg) — Costco Wholesale Corp. and Price Co. agreed Wednesday to merge in a \$2 billion stock swap, combining two of the largest warchouse-club retailers in the United States. The new company will have 195 outlets in three countries and immusi

sales of about \$16 billion. Price Co. pionecred the warehouse club, which sells items in buik to its

members at low prices, when Robert Price's father, Sol, opened the first store in 1976. Costco opened its first unit in 1983.

Industrial Output Up 0.2% in May
WASHINGTON (AP) —U.S. output at factories, unines and utilities rose a modest 0.2 percent in May for its eighth consecutive increase, the government said Wednesday.

The gain in the Federal Reserve's industrial-production index was bolstered by an increase in oil and natural-gas drilling. It was held back by a decline in anto manufacturing. Separately, the Commerce Department said housing starts rose 2.4 percent in May to the highest level in five months. Construction increased in the South and Midwest, ben

slipped in the Northeast and West.

In the face of modest production gains, the operating rate at industrial concerns has remained virtually unchanged, well below the 85 percent level that many economists consider a warning sign of production bottlenecks and inflation.

Shell May Sell Pesticide Businesses

LONDON (AP) — The Royal Dutch/Shell Group said Wednesday in was negotiating to sell its pesticide businesses to American Cyanamid Co.

for an undisclosed sum. The two sides hope by the end of the year to reach a deal that would create for American Cyanamid a crop-protection business with annual

sales of about \$2 billion. American Cyanamid would get all of Shell's pesticide marketing operations, as well as a factory in Paulina, Brazil, and a research station in Schwabenheim, Germany. The sale would lead to job cuts at Shell facilities in Sittingbourne, England; Amsterdam, and Rotterdam.

Halliburton Plans Managerial Layoffs

DALLAS (Bloomberg) — Halliburton Co., the largest U.S. oil-services and equipment company, said Wednesday it expected to lay off hundreds of managers in a restructuring of its energy services, the second-largest of its the second-largest of its energy services.

As part of a cost cutting, Halliburton plans to combine its 10 energy segments into a single unit called Halliburton Energy Services.

Restructuring costs were included in a \$182 million charge in the fourth quarter last year. No additional charges are planned.

Fed Official Sees Inflation Over 2.7%

WASHINGTON (AFX) - A Federal Reserve Board governor, Lawrence Lindsey, told the National Association of Business Economists that he expected the U.S. inflation rate to exceed 2.7 percent this year.

The official Fed estimate for 1993 inflation is 2.7 percent. Mr. Lindsey and another Fed governor, Wayne Angell, have been actively pushing for higher interest rates in an effort to curb inflation.

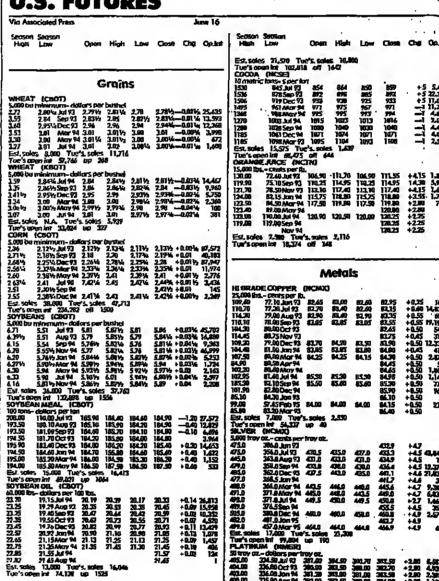
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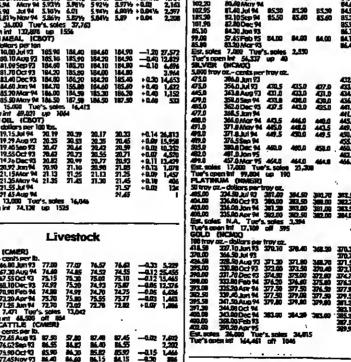
USAir Group Inc. reversed its expectations and forecast a loss in the second quarter as well as for the full year, based on weaker-than-expected

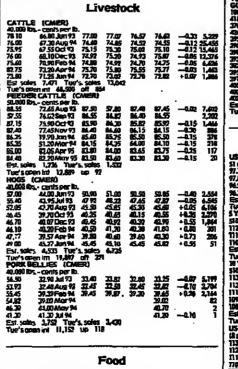
The Securities and Futures Authority, the British financial watchdog, fined the American securities house Goldman Sachs £160,000 (\$242,400) for technical breaches, but cleared the firm of illicit dealings with the late tycoon Robert Maxwell.

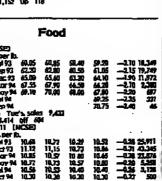
ULSI Systems Inc. said a jury trial in California found the ULSI founder and president, George Hwang, not guilty of all charges alleging use of Intel documents in developing the ULSI advanced Math-Co family (AFX) of coprocessor chips.

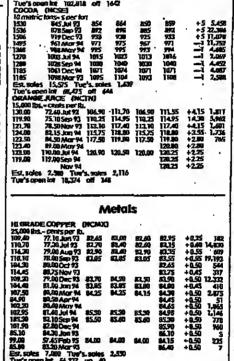
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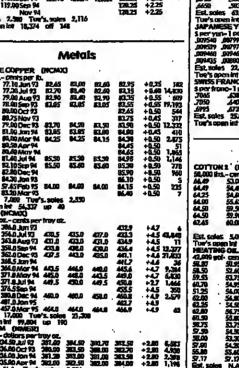


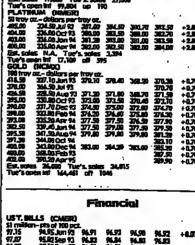






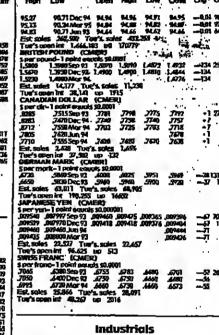


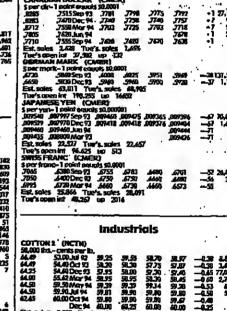


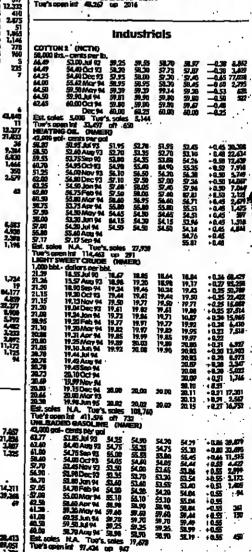


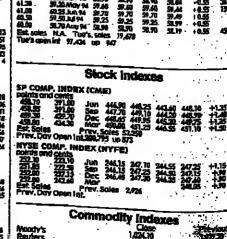












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Compiled by Our Staff Fram Disposche PARIS - Prime Minister Edouard Balladur said Wednesday that France would not accept the U.S.-EC Blair House agreement on farm trade, "even if all the rest of GATT trade negotiations turn out in satisfactory fashion."

Back from a showdown meeting in Washington with President Bill Clinton, Mr. Balladur won a standing ovation in the National Assembly by reaffirming France's rejection of a trans-Atlantic draft agreement on farm subsidies. Even some Socialists joined

members of the conservative majority in applanding, a sign of the broad support in France for the The draft agreement would cur-

tail farm-export subsidies for wheat and some other products in the European Commu France's powerful farm lobby vehemeothy opposes the plan, which is envisioned as part of a settlement of disputes holding up a new world trade pact under the auspices of the General Agreement

on Tarill's and Trade. He said "the farm phase, like the rest of the negotiations, has not been completed," and France was ready to resume discussions. Mr. Balladur said if the Blair

House pact were applied, farmers "would have no choice but to leave their land." When the multilateral trade negotiations are completed, he said, France reserves the right to accept

or to reject" the result. The Blair House preagreement is not acceptable in its current state," Mr. Balladur added.

He called on the Community to play an active and decisive role in the trade negotiations. A major focus must be on European unemployment, already at worrisome levels, he noted. (AFP, AP)

Europe's Gloom Deepens EC Has Grim Forecast and Few Ideas

By Tom Buerkie anal Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS - The European Community laid out its gloomiest economic forecast in nearly a generation Wednesday, saying that recession this year and a limp recovery next year would drive

inemployment to a post-World War II record of 12 percent. Although the figure had been leaked earlier in the week, the announcement showed the depth of the problem that will confront EC heads of govern-

ment at their semiannual summit meeting in Copenhagen on Monday and Tuesday. Rund Lubbers and Jean-Luc Dehaene, the

Rund Lubbers and Jean-Luc Denaene, the Dutch and Belgian prime ministers, said after a meeting here Wednesday that growth and jobs would dominate the talks in Copenhagen. Renters quoted Mr. Lubbers as saying that "confidence may be cracking in Europe and the economy."

But national and EC leaders continue to insist them is little immediate halo them. there is little immediate help they can offer.

Henning Christophersen, the Community's economics commissioner, said there was no room for governments to spend their way out of recession, as their deficits were expected to swell to an imprecedented 6.25 percent of gross domestic product, on average, this year. That is more than twice the limit of 3 percent set in the Maastricht Treaty's criteria for EC nations' economic performance en route to adopting a common currency.

Any further bloating of the government deficits would only drive interest rates up and lead to "new disturbances" in the European Monetary System. Mr. Christophersen a arned.

The new EC forecast projects that overall acc-

norme output will fall 0.5 percent this year and rebound by 1.25 percent in 1994. The expected decline this year would be the first for the Commumay as a whole since 1975. It was the Community's second sharp downward revision of its forecast for 1993, which began at a positive 25 percent a year ago and was cut to growth of O.S percent in

The revisions reflect the rapidly deteriorating economic climate in Germany, where output could contract by 2 percent or 2.5 percent this year, and in other countries that have fied their economic policies closely to Bonn's, led by France, Belgium and the Netherlands. Mr. Christophersen said Europe's majo hopes

continued to lie in further radiactions in short-term interest rates. EC sources said high German rates were not singled out for blame at Wednesday's meeting of the EC Commission, where the forecast was unveiled, but the reference was clear. Although the Copenhagen summit meeting is

unlikely to produce any new growth initiative, one EC source said there was room for governments to move a greater portion of their spending into infrastructure projects such as roads and railways.

German Outlook Exudes Pessimism

BONN — The economy of Western Germany could shrink even more this year than was forecast earlier, Economics Minister Günter Rexrodt said

A leading economic think tank and the main industrial lobby were even more pessimistic, sav-ing there was little chance of even a moderate recovery until sometime next year.

In a speech to parliament, Mr. Rexrodt said that the government expected the economy to pick up in the second half, but that if it did not, a decline of 2 percent or more in gross domestic product could not be ruled our.

Data published this month showed that firstquarter West German GDP was down 1.5 percent

from the previous quarter and 3.2 percent below the first quarter of 1992.

in Western Germany, the recession accelerated in the first quarter." Mr. Rewordt said.

Meanwhile, the Federation of German Industry said the economy was still declining and that unless the government changed its fiscal policies, the recession could last longer than expected. "Even if the economic decline ends during the

summer months, from industry's perspective it seems that a surnaround in the economy is no longer probable this year," the industry federation said in its monthly economic report.

The economic research matitute Ifo said a recovery could begin in the spring of 1994, when the first effects of lower interest rates are expected to be

EC Agrees to Fund New Broadcasting Tailored for HDTV

LUXEMBOURG - European Community relecommunications minuters agreed Wednesday on a toned-down aid package to help the broadcast industry develop bustinumed enjoy to may-capertion television, diplomats said.

Breaking a one-year impasse, they agreed that the Community should spend 228 million European aurrenes units (\$274 milion) over four your to help broadcasters learnth Wide-screen television programs.

The amount is drastically less than original subsidy proposals. but more than the maximum amount Break said accept at the last meeting in May.

The EC hopes the spending will help keep European electronics companies competitive with m facturers in Japan and the United States in the race to develop HDTV a technology providing rezer-sharp pictures and digital sound quality.

Original EC plans proposed spending as much as 850 million Ecus but Britain resisted and the other EC members agreed last month to lower the figure. British had held out for more guarantees on how the money would be spent and also fenred that the EC was planning to develor a system that would seen be overtaken by L.S. and Japanese research.

The plan was agreed upon within 90 minutes on Wednesday. prompting speculation that a change of Brush ministers had made the difference.

The Dutch public-works munister. Hanja Maij-Weggen, told re-porters that the British junior trade minister, Patrick McLoughlin, had been much more constructive than his prodecessor, Edward Leigh, But Mr. McLoughin said Britain had agreed because the plan had besome more nurket-oriental and because he had win changes that ensured that British-based Japanese companies such as Sony could take part in television-telated EC research.

Companies will be asked to proinde same equivalent to EC spend-ing, officials said. Research on HDTV in Europe is being led by the French concern Thomson SA and Philips Electronics NV of the Netherlands

Although the Netherlands had heen pushing for higher subsidies.

Ms. Maij-Wegger said the package would be enough to ensure that a fortified mass of programs were produced.

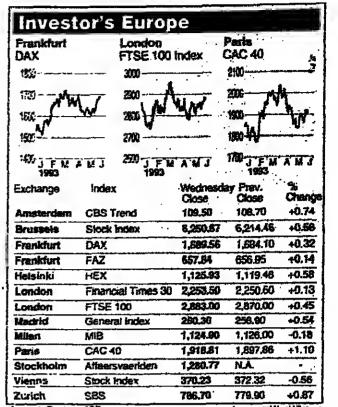
(AP, Reuters)

GATT to Study Bid by Russia

GENEVA - The General Agreement on Taulfs and Trade on Wednesday set up a working party to study Russia's application for membership. Russia's trade delegation

called the request a further step in its aconomic reform polar. Japan, European Community members and the United States were among some 40 member states that supported Moscow's application.

Andrew Stoler, acting head of the U.S. Trade Representame's Office here, said GATT merchership should accelerate Russia's integration into the



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Very briefly:

 Volkswagen AG will make a preliminary report in mid-July on a Spanish investment conscrttum's offer to build a car plant in the Basque town of Amorebieta, a consortium member said. But he said VW would not make a final decision on the offer until September.

 The EC Commission cleared 150 million Deutsche marks (592.3 million) in loan guarantees granted by the Treuhandanstalt privatization agency in Sachsische Automobilbau GmbH, part of a Volkswagen project to set up modern car production in Eastern Germany.

· Compagnie de Suez's chairman, Gerard Worms, said the financialservices services company would show a modest profit this year after last year's loss of 1.87 billion French francs (\$341.9 million).

 Karstadt AG, Germany's largest department-store group, said it would have difficulty matching last year's earnings of 224.1 million DM. · Britain's retail sales volume in May fell 0.2 percent from April but rose 2.3 percent from May 1992.

 Aer Lingus seeks 1,400 job cuts in its survival plan presented to the Irish generoment, industry sources said.

. Docks de France SA will bid for control of another supermarket chain, Societé Alsacienne de Supermarches, the French stock exchange said.

GATT Examines Banana Curbs HONDA: Under Assault by Detroit's Minivans, Its Profits Are Crumbling TRAIN: Slowed by Bonn Red Tape

GENEVA — The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade launched a formal investigation Wednesday into the legality of new European Community restrictions on Latin American bananas.

A meeting of GATT's executive council agreed to a request from Costa Rica and neighboring countries to examine EC import curbs due to come into force July 1. Latin American nations say this will cost them \$1 billion a year in lost markets and hundreds of thousands of jobs. A separate GATT panel ruled last month that existing import barriers

used in the Community to protect domestic producers or former colonies violated GATT's trade rules.

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in 1985, rose to \$11,280 in 1993. In 1990, an Accord sold for less than \$16,000. Now it sells for nearly \$19,000, more than any of its Big Three rivals. While Honda has never resorted to steep discounting, it now offering a \$239-a-month lease on the Accord, a subsidized rate roughly equivalent to a \$1,100

As Honda grew in the United States, its perspective changed from niche marketer to mass marketer, said John Wolkonowicz, an analyst for Arthur D. Little Inc., of Boston, "Honda started looking at but it doesn't excite." who its customers were and saw my 65-year-old uncle and an 18-yearold college girl and everyone in signed for 1992. Sales have in-between," Models were designed to creased 30 percent this year. Ac-

groups, ensuring that they would excite none of them, Mr. Woikonowicz said. "The best example of this is the Accord. It is one bland machine. It does everything well,

One bright light for Honda has been the Civic, which was redesatisfy several demographic cord sales, meanwhile, are down

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about the same amount. Sales of the redesigned Prelude. Honda's two-door sports coupe, have fallen by more than 30 percent this year. In luxury cars, Honda led the Japanese into the U.S. market. The Acura division, opened in 1986, won high marks, and the Legend

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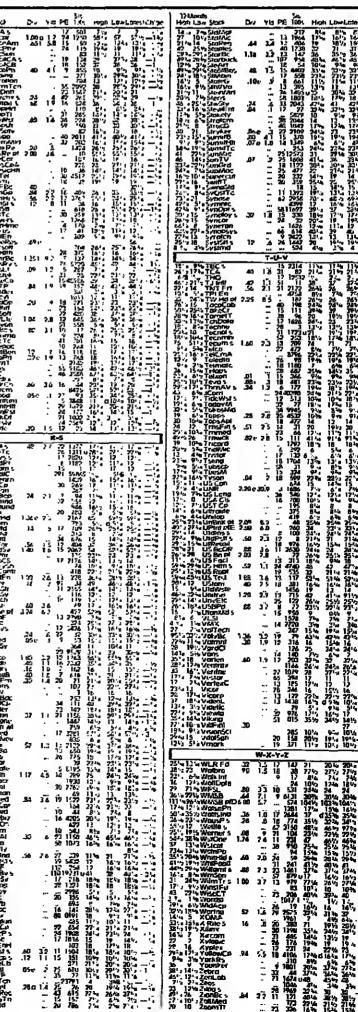
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TACTICS: A Subtle Workplace Slowdown

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today's competitive world, no company saddied with employees who carry out their tasks only routinely, and without initiative, can make money for long.

So far, the result is inconclusive. What is clear, though, is that a lot is at stake in Decatur. Reflecting the importance of in-plant resistance, the AFL-CIO has endorsed the strategy. If the unions win, labor stands to regain some of the bargaining power it lost in 1981, when America's air-traffic controllers struck and President Ronald Reagan replaced them en masse. The outcome could also have implications for employers and workers across the United States in nonunionized workplaces.

Citing the harsh realities of a weak economy and global competition, employers have been asking more from workers — who have given in, fearful they might otherwise lose their jobs. But at some point, say labor economists and others who study the workplace, management starts to lose something in worker loyalty, ini-tiative and cooperation for all that it might gain in lower labor costs and more flexible work

Getting both sides to agree on where that point is could be the big labor-management challenge of the early '90s — with a miscalculation likely to be costly.

"Workers almost always see a way to do a job better," said Richard Freeman, a Harvard labor economist, "and passing up these opportunities in time becomes damaging for companies and the conference." the economy.

Not surprisingly, the plant manager at Deca-tur. Gary Stroup, insists that the bartle is not even being fought. "This is Middle America," he said, For a union "to come and ask these

people not to do their jobs fully is to go against their work ethic and their moval fiber.

But the union is doing just that, said Larry G. Solomon, president of the United Auto Workers local here than represents Caterpillar cap.

The resistance appears to be gradually reducing efficiency at both Caterpillar and Staley. although the companies derry union claims that slower production has caused a delay in the

filling of customer orders. The resistance being tested in Decatur could be affected by what is happening in Washing. ton. President Bill Clinton is trying to restore to workers some of their power to strike, once again making a strike a viable alternative to a slowdown. A bill that would outlaw the biring of permanent replacements for strikers has been sent to the floors of the House and Senate and the House might act this week.

But for the moment, Caterpillar and Statey, having failed to win union agreement to their proposals, have imposed them unilaterally, call-ing their actions "implemented contracts." The companies argue that despite the changes they made, benefits and pay — averaging \$18 an. hour at Caterpillar and \$13 at Staley — are sulf.

very high for the Midwest,
Realizing this, the workers will evennally give up their resistance, the companies say,
overruling their missions in the process: the
UAW at Caterpillar and the Allied Industrial Workers of America at Staley.

But what the companies overlook, say the unions, is that some of the new rules that they had imposed were wreaking havoc on workers lives. Staley, for example, moved its production workers to 12-hour shifts — with three shifts one week and four the next - from five eighthour shifts a week. . .

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Agence France-Presse PARIS — Japan Tobacco will manufacture Gitanes Blondes cigarettes, adapted for Japanese taste. Seita, the French state-owned to-The second secon becco concern, said Wednesday. Seita and Japan Tobacco will invest more than 70 million French francs (\$13 million) in launching

The cigarette pack will sell for 280 year (\$2.50). The companies expect to market 300 million cigarettes in Japan in the first year. Seita began selling its so-called blonde cigarettes in Asia in 1987, marketing first in Victnam, then in Cambodia and Laos before carrying out a marketing test in Japan.
The company plans to expand to
China, Thalland and Indonesia.

10 percent of sales by Seita. The Japanese tobacco market is three times bigger than the French market. Japan Tobacco is the world's No. 3 tobacco company.

Asia now accounts for more than

A Wealthy Li Leaves Prison Hong Kong Exchange's Ex-Chief to Retire

HONG KONG - Ronald Li, once the powerful and autocratic chairman of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, walked out of prison Wednesday after

serving two years and eight months and into a wealthy retirement. Mr. Li, 63, told reporters as he left Stanley Prison on Hong Kong Island that he planned to

The Sanday Morning Post newspaper recently said his fortune — conservatively estimated at 3 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$388.2 million) before he was sentenced — would have appreciated by 4.7 million dollars for every day he spent in prison for companion if his important and prison for companion if his important and prison for the companion of the compan corruption, if his investments merely kept pace with the Hang Seng Index of blue-chip stocks.

That would make it worth a total of 7.5 billion

Mr. Li was convicted in 1990 of accepting prefereutial offerings of stock from two companies that he had belied to obtain listings.

The billionaire financier was credited with merging the British colony's four stock markets into a single, computerized exchange in 1986, makets ing it one of the most dynamic in the world. But critics accused him of running it as a personal

bagdom. In 1967, during the world stock market collapse, he instigated the controversial four-day

closure of the Hong Kong market.

When a reporter questioned the legality of that
move, Mr. Li demanded he be expelled from a news conference. A furious, finger-wagging Mr. Li was seen worldwide on adevision, resulting in widespread crincism within the Hong Kong financast community.

The construences were estastrophic when trading resumed. The Hang Seng Index plunged 33 percent in one day, triggering a collapse of the nures market His supporters saw the American-educated

multilingual Mr. Li as a response for the regula-tory shortcomings of the Hong Kong market. Oth-ers saw his trial as a watershed in efforts to endicate those shortcomings.

Newspapers said Mr. Li had been imprisoned with other white-collar offenders and worked as a

prison librarian. His sentence was cut by one-third for good behavior.

Mr. Li said his days as a stock-market wheeler-

dealer were over. "I'm an old man now; it's time to retire," he said as reporters. TV eathersmen and photographers mobbed him when he left the prison. (AP, Reuters)

Walkouts Curtail Output at Hyundai

SEOUL - Workers on two \$15 million. shrits staged four-hour walkouts Wednesday at Hyundai Motor Co., crippling South Rorea's largest

Some 20,000 autoworkers also staged a protest to demand higher pay, and union leaders said the partial walkouts would be expanded into a strike unless their demands were met. They said negotiations would resume Taursday.

It was the second work stoppage to hit Hyundai, South Korea's second-largest conglomerate, this year. The nation's largest container maker, a Hyundai subsidiary, also is engulfed in labor disputes

The partial walkout at the plant in the southeastern industrial city of Ulsan was called after negonations begun lass December proke down. About 87 percent of the company's 30,000 union workers

voted Tuesday to strike. Hymdai officials said the fourThe union wants a 16.5 percent

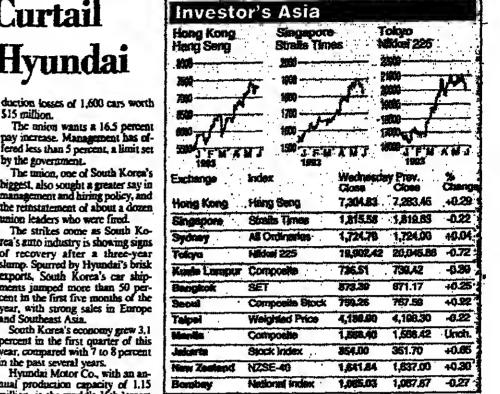
pay increase. Management has of-fered less than 5 percent, a limit set by the government.

The union, one of South Korea's biggest, also sought a greater say in management and hiring policy, and the reinstatement of about a dozen union leaders who were fired. The strikes come as South Ko-

rea's auto industry is showing signs of recovery after a three-year slump. Spurred by Hyundai's brisk exports, South Korea's car shipments jumped more than 50 per-cent in the first five months of the year, with strong sales in Europe and Southeast Asia.

South Kores's economy grew 3.1 percent in the first quarter of this year, compared with 7 to 8 percent in the past several years. Hyundai Motor Co., with an an-

nual production capacity of 1.15 million, is the world's 15th-largest hour strikes would cost daily pro- automaker



Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry said inventories fell in April but remained at high levels; industrial production, however,

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Mazda Motor Corp. said it had developed three-way catalytic converter engines capable of boosting fuel efficiency by 8 percent.

Chine News Service, an official Chinese news agency, said steel imports

The Japan Securities Dealers Association said it would admit banks as

The American Chamber of Commerce has sent a letter to Taiwan's;

legislators asking that the cable industry be opened to foreign investors.

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special members in line with reforms of the financial system.

has been falling yearly for the past 26 months, a record.

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TAIWAN: Authors of Economic Success Story Now Search for a Sequel

Confinued from Page 1 such as Vietnam, the Philippines

A program to spend \$315 billion on badly needed infrastructure development, known as the Six-Year Plan and announced two years ago, provides a test case in balancing priorities.

The plan sought to tempt other countries to risk China's ire and upgrade their ties with Taiwan in hope of taking part in the hoge cash flow. But the blueprint is now being redrawn, with the result likely
to be a scaling back of projects and
a postponing of completion dates.

"Last year, the government
would only say some of the projects

were encountering technical diffi-culties," said a Western banker, who asked not to be identified, "Now they're saying "We can't pay for it all now.' It's an encouraging sign that reality has set in.".
Taiwan, which is not an interna-

tional borrower, faces a lack of enthusiasm at home for its big spending plans. Bankers in a more. liberalized environment now chafe at the steady stream of government bond issues they once accepted

Why object now? Perhaps be-cause Taiwan's bid to retool for higher-technology industries will be capital-intensive, and better re-

handling registered mail between the two countries — were seen as aprelude to eventual remification, but Taiper is taking an extremely cautious view of increasing its intogration with China.

happened in Singapore, said Ja-son Hu, a senior government spokesman. "We think it estab-lished a format for more discus-

sions in the future. But if you can't investments' before shareholders convince me we can solve existing problems, who is going to talk about grand things?"

Taiwan's politicians are divided

over what to do about China. The opposition parties favor full indopendence for Taiwan, a move that would abandon more than 40 years of Taipei claiming so be China's only legitimate government.

Within the Knomintang, younger leaders who were born on Taiwan tend to back independence in all but name and a live-and-let-live policy toward China, but the old guard still sees such talk as heresy.

But while they argue, capital continues to flow. Some estimates have put Taiwan's investment in China at up to \$20 billion in recent years — a figure whose uncertainty reflects the circuitous routes taken by many of those investments. Beijing, for its part, claims that the sum committed to China by Taiwan in-vestors last year matched the total for the previous eight years.

Direct investment in China is forbidden by Taipei, which fears that greater financial flows would give Beijing new leverage over the "renegade province" it still claims as its own.

"Nevertheless, some of Taiwan's largest companies are looking at turns are available elsewhere, par substantial projects in China ticularly in China.

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Taiwan's Securities and Exchange Commission recently moved to prohibit the country's 260 publicly listed companies from raising new money through the stock market for investment in China. It also has asked listed companies to put any plans for mainland

for 90 annual general meetings of als with the critical mass required corporations disclosed that 79 were for marketing and research and deannouncing plans to invest on the mainland, showing that the flow threatens to become a flood.

Further complicating its future, Taiwan is experiencing a slowing in the growth of its trade surplus. In the first quarter of 1993, the sur-plus fell 48 percent from the previous year, to \$1.35 billion. And less month, Taiwan reduced its forecast for 1993 growth to 6.33 percent from 6.6 percent.

The new growth estimates, to-gether with Taiwan's nearly full employment and an annual inflation rate of 3.1 percent posted during the first quarter, are still figures that nearly any Western economy would be glad to have. But Taiwan -judging from a stock marker that rose 48 percent from the end of 1992 until April 7 of this year but has since fallen 15 percent - is nervous about a slowdown, And its planners fear that increasing protectorism in the West will hamper

its powerful export machine. Some of the rhetoric comin out of Washington is worrying us, said Shen Ke-sheng, vice minister of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, a negotiator in the recent strained talks with the United States on strengthening protection

for intellectual property rights.

The question remains, can the enough to survive the challenge provided by low-wage factories in China that can now beat Taiwan in most low-end products?
"It's a crucial issue for Taiwau's

forme," said HG Asia's Mr. Ross, who says he thinks the crosion of its low-end manufacturing competitiveness will proceed more quickly

"Taiwan's success has been drivfor approval.

But a recent look at the agendas groups. It is short on multinationon my small and medium-sized for marketing and research and de-

> He said that "to become truly world-class," Taiwan's manufacmers "will have to get their hands on more high-tech and take full advantage of the China market to develop their economies of scale." And that, he said, will require "a huge leap of faith" on the part of Taipei.

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Manila Says Power Crisis To Ease in '93, End by '96

MANILA - The electric-power crisis in the Philippines will end by 1996, Energy Secretary Delfin Lazaro said Wednesday, and bornes and small factories will see an end

to daily power cuts late this year. We will achieve sufficient generation capacity by December 1993 and reliable service starting in the second half of 1994," he said in a report to President Fidel Ramos. The "ideal scenario" would be reached by 1996, he said, "when we

will have in place base-load plants and major transmission lines." The Philippines has suffered

power cuts lasting up to 10 hours a day, severely restricting economic output, because of a shortage of power-generating capacity.

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in the power supply for them to resume and continue their normal operations by the end of this year," Mr. Lazaro said. "Those industrial processes requiring absolute contiauity of power supply may still require standby generators or will have to wan for the ideal scenario

and light-industrial sectors can be

assured of a reasonable reliability

(Renters, AFP)

IFDC JAPAN FUND

would triple in 1993, a huge increase.

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Notice is hereby given to the shareholders, that the

Annual General Meeting

of shareholders of IFDC JAPAN FUND, will be held at the company's head office, 2, boulevard Royal, 2953 Lixembourg, on June 25th, 1993 at 3.00 p.m. with the following agenda:

1. Submission of the Reports of the Board of Directors and of the Independent Auditor.

2. Approval of the Statements of Assets and Liabilities and of the Statements of Operations

for the year ended as at March 31st, 1993; Appropriation of the results.

3. Discharge of the Directors; 4. Statutory appointments;

5. Miscellancous.

The shareholders are advised that no quorum is required for the items on the agenda of the Annual General Meeting and that decisions will be taken on a simple majority of the shares present or represented at the Meeting.

In order to attend the meeting of IFDC JAPAN FUND the owners of bearer shares will have to deposit their shares five clear days before the meeting at the registered office of the Company or with Banque Internationale à Luxembourg.

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Foreigners Beware: Rough Days Lie in **Wait at Baltusrol**

By Jaime Diaz

SPRINGFIELD, New Jersey -While golf's other major championships have a distinctly international list of winners, the U.S. Open, which begins Thursday, has traditionally been distinctly American.

The last foreign-born winner of the championship was David Graham of Australia, who won in 1981. Before that, it was Tony Jacklin of England in 1970, and Gary Player of South Africa in 1965. Before that, you had to go back to 1927 and Scottisb-born Tommy Ar-

At this week's 93d Open, at the Baltusrol Golf Club, there will be 28 foreign-born players in the field of 156. Among them will be the reigning British Open champion and world's No. 1 player. Nick Faldo of England; the reigning Masters champion. Bernhard Langer of Germany; the reigning PGA Champion, Nick Price of Zimbahwe, and the most recent winner on the PGA Tour, Vijay Singh of Fiji But history does not make any of them a favorite.

In recent years, foreign players have been frequent runners-up: lan Woosnam of Wales in 1989, Faldo in 1988, T.C. Chen of Taiwan, Dave Barr of Canada and Denis Watson of Zimbabwe in 1985, Greg Norman of Australia in 1984. sao Aoki of Japan in 1980 here at Baltusrol, And last year at Pehble Beach, Colin Montgomerie of Scot-land, playing in his first Open, looked like the winner until Tom Kite's incredible round in the wind secured the title.

Foreign players have won the other majors on a regular basis. They have dominated the Masters in recent years, winning nine of the last 16. At the British Open, it has been eight of the last nine. Even at the PGA Championship, an American has won only one of the last three. But in the Open, only Faldo.

with three top-10 finishes in six Open appearances, and José Maria Olazábal of Spain, with three in four, have consistently challenged. In fact, in the U.S. Opens that the so-called Super Six of foreign

golf — Faldo, Langer, Olazábal, Woosnam, Sandy Lyle of England and Seve Ballesteros of Spain have played in, they have posted the same number of missed cuts. 13, as top 10 finishes.

"It's just one of those things," said Kite. "It's a quirk of the numbers that no one can explain. They might turn around and win the next

Kite might be right, but there are some tangible factors that work against foreigners in the Open. One is the exemption system. The

U.S. Golf Association, which administers the Open, gives automatic exemptions only to the top two players on the European PGA Tour through May, and special exemptions to a handful of other foreigners. This year, the executive committee chose seven foreigners for specia. international player invitations.

By contrast, the British Open exempts the top 30 money winners off the previous year's PGA Tour money list, and the top 10 for this year through the Memorial Tournament.

"I just don't think we have enough guys who get a chance," said Faldo, who, before finishing second in 1988, had only been exempt to one other Open, in 1984. The deck's kind of stacked against us."

There are other reasons that relate to the conditions of play, pri-marily the five-inch rough that lines the Open greens and fairways.

Because of the rough around the greens, chipping is almost eliminated. While Americans see the heavy rough in the Open, the PGA and even in regular events, players from other tours almost never see heavy rough around the greens.

The rough off the fairways, which can make the landing areas off the tee as narrow as 28 yards at Baltusrol, also is something with which most international players rarely have to contend.

While American pros tend to groove simple, often mechanical looking swings that produce little variation in ball trajectory and are designed to produce accuracy more than distance, many top international players have looser swings, which are good for shaping shots creatively but aren't always the most accurate from the tee,

"There is really only one club in the U.S. Open," Ballesteros said during a practice session here. "The driver. It's not my straightest club. This is why for me this has always been a very difficult tournament. The last time Ballesteros was at

Baltusrol, in 1980, he was disqualified when he showed up late for his tee time in the third round, after opening with two 75s.

The bot, humid weather that the Open is often played in, particularin the Northeast, also takes its

toll on players from Europe. And even though the Europeans like to come to America as much as three weeks before the Masters because March is a relative lull in their playing schedule at home. there is no such break in the European tour before the Open.

David Leadhetter, the noted swing coach who works with many of the leading foreign players, in-cluding Faldo. Price and Lyle, agrees that several factors conspire against them.

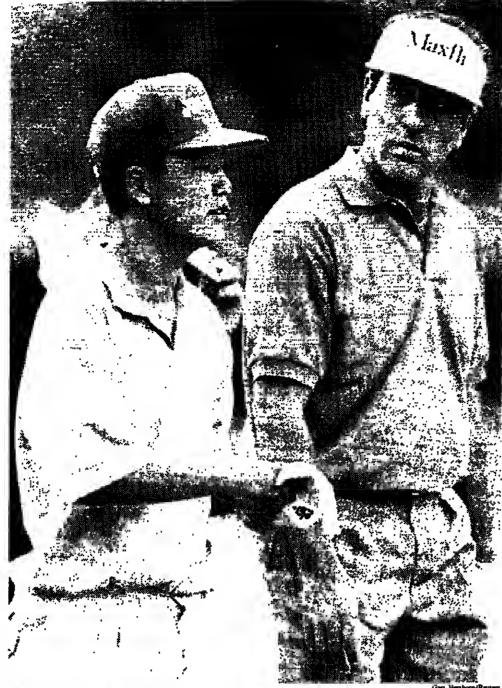
It's not any one thing, hut at this level, all the little things take toll," said Leadbetter, "I just think it is the one championship where they feel the least comfortable."

 The Pinchurst Country Club in North Carolina will host the 1999 U.S. Open and Pehble Beach Golf Links will be the venue the following year, the U.S. Golf Association announced Wednesday.

Pinchurst's famed Number Two able to keep his from showing. course, designed by renowned architect Donald Ross at the beginhim over many years. will be staging its first U.S. Open.

The Open will be returning to Pehble Beach, near Monterey, California, for the third time. It was the

site last year and in 1972 and 1982. The USGA also said the 1997 Walker Cup matches, which pit top amateurs from the United States against those from Britain and Ireland, will be played at Quaker Ridge Golf Club in Scarsdale, New York, just north of New York City.



Ted Oh on the course with Seve Ballesteros: "I wasn't really nervous. But I was really excited."

and stared for about 20 minutes.

But I was really excited."

with his play.

"Today was so cool. Seve is such

a great guy. I wasn't really nervous.

was otherwise generally annoyed

great future," said Ballesteros, "I told him a few things about keeping

the ball down in the crosswinds.

and how to play out of the rough

around the green. He has no experi-

ence, but he has great talent. I think

If so, the 10 friends and family

members who have accompanied

Oh on his adventure will be in the

gallery to see every shot. When Bal-

"Lucky boy," the proud father

lish. "Very lucky boy."

According to the U.S. Golf Asso-

Jr. qualified for the 1941 event.

we will play again tomorrow."

"He is a nice boy and he has a

Oh? He's 16, Relaxed and Ready to Play

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aid moments later in halting Eng- and 145 pounds (66 kilograms), Oh

Oh didn't begin playing golf until teros and Olazahal.

Nicklaus and Norman, I just sat there his family to this country from Seoul

nine years ago and now runs a sew-

ing factory with his wife in Tor-

rance, got him started playing golf.

American Junior Golf Association

tour, and this year became the first

player to win the Los Angeles City

Junior Boys Championship in

the United States, that distinction going to his friend, Eldrick (Tiger) Woods of Cypress, California, who

failed to qualify for Baltusrol but

who will try to win his third straight

U.S. Junior Amateur champion-

ship in August.
People have tried to start a ri-

At 5 feet, 9 inches (1.75 meters)

possesses a powerful swing that

produces tee shots every bit as long

ciation, Oh is the youngest player as the average pro's. On Tuesday, in the U.S. Open since Tyrell Garth he was usually even and sometimes end of the week, it might carry an

a little past the tee shots of Balles- exclamation mark.

Oh is not the top-rated junior in

back-to-back years.

The boy picked up the game

Fine hitting by Andrew and get out of them? Dender To Built of them.

Fine hitting by Andres Galarraga of Colorado and Mike Piazza let a guy tag you. That's how you of Los Angeles was almost over- play the game. If guys don't like it, shadowed by the latest of baseball's

increasingly frequent brawls. Galarraga, with four hits, ran his streak to nine straight, one shy of the National League mark, before grounding out to second in the ninth inning Tuesday night in Denver. He now officially leads the majors in hitting, at 435, after a 17day stay on the disabled list had deprived him of the required number of plate appearances.

Piazza, too, went 4-for-5. with a solo home run early in the game, a two-run shot that ended a tie in the eighth and a two-run single in the ninth of the Dodgers' 12-4 victory. There were four ejections but ap-

parently no injuries in the brawls.

The first came in the seventh when Galarraga, after getting his fourth hit, was caught stealing but bruised the left elbow of second baseman Jody Reed with his hard slide. Reed left the game an inning

On the next pitch, the Dodgers' starter, Ramon Martinez, hit Charlie Hayes and Hayes charged the mound, drawing both benches into the fray. Martinez and Hayes were

In the eighth, after Piazza's goahead homer, the Rockies' reliever, Keith Shepherd, hit Cory Snyder with a pitch and both dugouts emptied again. Shepherd was ejected, as was Colorado's manager, Don Bay-lor, because of an earlier warning to both benches.

Baylor maintained the first altercation actually began when Martinez knocked down the hot-hitting Galarraga with a 2-0 pitch. Galarraga singled hut was out at second when Hayes failed to hit the ball on

"Ted is like a sponge," said his instructor, Bead Sherfy, who has played in four U.S. Opens himself and is caddying for Oh this week.

"What's so exceptional about him

for a young guy is that there is no

of two spots against 120 golfers. He

missed the cut in the tournament

the galleries have got to know Oh,

ball, so I know how a kid feels when

a player gives him a ball. But pretty

soon Brad looked in my bag and

said, 'Hey, Ted, you only got three holes left.'

like. That's the 16-year-old, that's

the 16-year-old.' It's like that's my

"I hear a lot of what they say. It's

JAIME DIAZ

who is enjoying the attention.

est levels of the game.

"Jody Reed has to get the ball

and get out of there," Baylor said.
"You can't just slide in there and

get a skirt on." The Dodgers' manager, Tommy Lasorda, said Galarraga's slide was "unnecessary" and he felt Galarraga was retaliating for being hit in

NL ROUNDUP

the neck with a pickoff throw that ricocheted off first baseman Eric Karros's glove just before the play

Cubs 3, Martins 0: Frank Castillo held visiting Florida to five hits for 7½ innings, singled in a run in the second and scored from first base in the seventh on a dropped fly ball in the left-field corner.

Expos 8, Phillies 4: Tommy Greene lasted just 4% innings in Montreal and lost for the first this season as Philadelphia had its sixgame winning streak ended.

Larry Walker, Moises Alou and

Sean Berry each drove in two runs

eil and Reggie Sanders homered for an early 7-1 lead and Tim Beicher held on in Cincinnati as the Reds ended a three-game losing streak and the Giants' four-game winning

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Mitchell's leadoff homer in the second extended his hitting streak to 10 games. Sanders' three run

homer capped a five-run fifth.

Braves 2, Mets 1: Finch-hitter.

Brian Hunter's sacrifice fly with the bases loaded in the minth in New York made a winner of Atlanta's Tom Glavine, who threw just 79 pitches in the complete game, 1875 Padres 3, Astros 0: Phil Plantier

had three hits, driving in two runs, and Fred McGriff homered and tripled for visiting San Diego. Wal-Whitehurst and two rehevers held Houston to six hits as the Astros were sint out for just the

second time this season.

Cardinals 6, Pirates 3: Bernard

Gilkey matched his career-high

with four RBIs in St. Louis as visiting Pittsburgh lost its sixth straight and ninth in 10 games. (AP, UPI)

Yankees 9, Red Sox 7: Bernie

Williams went 4-for-5 and made

two running catches in center field

as New York edged visiting Boston. The Yankees won for the fifth time

in six games while Boston lost its

ninth in 10 tries. Williams hit an RBI single dur-

ing an eight-run lifth, and also hit a

solo home run and a triple. On

Monday night, his grand slam beat

Mike Stanley started the Yan-kees' biggest inning of the season

with a home run and later drew a

bases-loaded walk. Scott Cooper

homered and drove in four runs for

Orioles 4, Brewers 2: Brady Anderson and Mark McLemore hit

AL ROUNDUP

consecutive home runs in the sixth

as Baltimore won in Milwankee for

its 12th victory in 13 games.

Boston, 4-0.

the Red Sox.

Olerud Rolls On (.405) As Blue Jays Beat Twins

Cecil Fielder has hit three home runs in three days. Brady Anderson has homered for three straight days. Bernie Williams has driven in nine runs in three games. None of those hitters, however,

is as hot as John Olerud. Olerud extended his hitting streak to 20 games Tuesday night, doubling three times and raising his batting average to .405 in the To-ronto Blue Jays' 6-3 victory over the Minnesota Twins in Minneapo-

"I'm not really going to think about the streak or about batting 400," Olerud said. "You can hit the ball hard right at somebody three times in a game and lose the streak. And I don't think I run fast enough to bat .400. So I just go out there and try to hit the ball hard every time and whatever happens happens."
Not since Rod Carew was bat-

pout in him, no throwing clubs. He learned early that doesn't help. He's got a perfect head for golf."
In February, he qualified for the Los Angeles Open by earning one ting 402 on July 14, 1983, had a player been hitting over 400 this late in a season. But this year there is not only Olerud but the Colorado Rockies' Andres Galarraga, who's Olerud had a pair of bloop dou-

by three shots, but learned that he hles at the Metrodome. He also lined a double and lined out. was capable of playing on the high-"I've had my share of hits that have been good luck," he said. After three practice rounds here,

Olerud leads the American League in average, hits (90) and doubles (24). He has 14 home runs "I've been giving a lot of balls away," he said. "When I was 12 at the L. A. Open, a caddic gave me a and 52 RBIs.

Tigers 10, Indians 4: Fielder hit two home runs as Detroit easily beat visiting Cleveland. Lou Whitaker also connected in the Tigers' second straight three-homer game.

Fielder, who nearly homered over the left field roof Monday, has hit five of his 15 homers this season against the Indians. He leads the majors with 55 RBIs.

He has 69 hits in 204 at-bats (.338) against Cleveland, with 27 home runs. He has three multi-

White Sox 4, Athletics 0: Wilson Alvarez pitched a three-hitter, all

singles, struck out a career-high 11, walked none and faced only 28 batters as Chicago won in Oakland as Ron Karkovice homesed and doubled in a run.

It was Alvarez's second shutout

in the majors. His first was a nohitter in Baltimore on Aug. 11,

Rangers 6, Angels 5: Juan Gon-zalez hit a three-run homer during a five-run first that allowed Texas to win in California. Doug Strange drove in the other three runs for the Rangers.

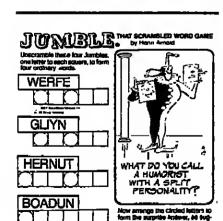
Mariners 6. Royals 1: Ken Griffey, with his 100th in the majors, and Tino Martinez and Jay Buhner homered as Seattle beat visiting Kansas City.

The Mariners extended their. longest winning streak of the season to four. Griffey, in his fifth full year in the major leagues. Martinez and Bulmer each hit their 13th home runs of the season.

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SPRINGFIELD, New Jersey -

The toughest championship in golf was already taking its toll. Two

days before the first official shot

would be hit at the 93d U.S. Open

here at Baltusrol, the faces were

harder, practice sessions longer

and, among players not at the top

of their games, a sense of doom was

And then there was Ted Oh.

Oh, a high school sophomore, 16, from Torrance, California, is the

youngest player in the field of 156

and probably the happiest. While

all around him there is the gnashing

of teeth, the smiling Oh hasn't been

Since arriving at the majestic

cluhhouse Saturday to discover

that his locker was next to that of

Jack Nicklaus, the South Korean-

born Oh has been living a fantasy.

He actually met "Mr. Nicklaus" on

Monday, and Tuesday he played

an 18-hole practice round with

Seve Ballesteros and José María

"I'm loving the whole thing," Oh

said after the round. "All this histo-

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have walked. When I got here, no-

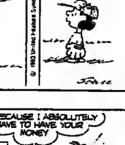
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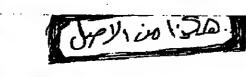




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SPORTS NBA FINAL

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Steve Staumton's deflected freekick five minutes before halftime gave Ireland a 1-0 victory Wednesday over Lithmania in a qualifying match in Vilnius for the 1996 World Cup and put the Irish atop European Group 3.

Control of the Contro Ireland has 15 points from nine matches, Spain has 13 points from nine matches and Denmark 12 from eight. The Irish, with draws in Spain and Denmark behind them, we in good position to make it to the linals in the United States. The top two teams in each European group advance.

> But Ireland's third consecutive victory on a three-week tour of Eastern Europe was achieved only

Staumton's hard free kick from the edge of the box sped through a forest of legs and finally deflected into the corner of the net off the outstretched foot of Lithuania's

Then, with 12 minutes to go, Lithuanian captain Stasys Baran-auskas blasted a 30-meter free-kick that hit the base of right-hand post, rebounded and hit goalkeeper Packie Bonner in the back.

As Bonner groped to retrieve the ball, teammate Alan Kernaghan headed it out of danger.

Czechoslovakia 3, Faroc Islands 0: In Toftir, Faroe Islands, mid-fielder Marck Postulka struck twice in six minutes as Czechosłovakia stayed in the race for the World Postulka scored in the 38th and

44th minutes after defender Ivan Hasek fired his team ahead just three minutes into the game.

vakia to third place in European qualifying Group 4 with nine points from seven matches.

Leaders Belgium have 14 points from eight games and look certain to reach the finals, but Czechoskovakia, second-place Romania and fourth-place Wales are now level on points and games played in the fight for the second qualifying spot.

Finland 0, Israel 0: In Lahti, the

WEFA Eases Welch Threat

Irish Win From Playground to City Hall, NBA-Mania Sweeps France By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on By Christopher Clarey Rethall communes to war, mirroring an enthesiasm backboard, what other description could possibly compete with "time briggs" To Gain on time briggs and tim

the office of a French film company, Rousid Halpern has grown accustomed to acting as a conduit between his new world and his old one. Last Friday, his services were required again.

"Just what is a Chicago Buil?" asked one of Halpern's co-workers, trying to understand why her 8-year-old son had begun drawing strange designs all over his action notebook.

Out on the blacktop of a new basketball court in the southeast part of this city, such ignorance was inconceivable. Of the 20 or so youngsters scrambling for nebounds beneath an elevated Metro line, nearly half had been up mril 4 A.M. watching a live broadcast of the Chicago Bulls' Game I victory over the Phoenix Suns in the National Residental Association's championship series. Baskerball Association's championship series. "My perents only let me do it if I don't have class

the next day," said Florent Jaccard, 17. "Otherwise, one of my friends tapes the games for me." Before Jaccard could continue, one of his friends swooped up behind him and announced: "I am Jordan No. 2."

No NBA marketing executive could ask for more. Ten months after Michael Jordan, Charles Barkley and their Dream-mates rolled over the opposition at the Olympics in Barcelona, French youth's passion for the American version of bas-

impact their civilization and their backethall have on the young people here: it's huge to the point of nearly being an obsession," said Frederique Lesmayous, an editor at the French monthly maga-zine Mondiel Busker, whose circulation has tripled to 115,000 sence last summer.

Any American who has made it to Paris, Ma-

dad or Athens lately couldn't help but notice that boys and girls are dressing more and more like their peers across the Atlantic. NRA-inspired clothing is rampant: Los Angeles Lakers caps. Air Jordan shorts. Charlotte Hornets T-shirts and the inevitable high-top, high-proced sneakers. But the baskethall craze, the latest in a lengthy line of American cultural exports to Europe that includes everything from "The Wheel of Fortune"

to home-delivered pizza, is affecting more than mere fashion. It is affecting speech patterns. English-language curses are now in style with some French teen-agers, along with that very

American expression "in your face".

"No way that I would even try to translate that one into French," said Andrix Herba, a 17-yearold Perisian

On court, the English term "dunk" is gaining ground on the French "mark," and "tire en sutmeson" is suffering the same fate at the hands of up shot." As for a shot that clanks off a rim or

"It's changed a ket of things, all this NBA interest," said Mustapha Sonko, a point guard for Sceaux in the French professional league. "There are lots of people who are even starting to walk a little bit like the Americans now, with their legs and arms all over the place."

Sonko, a 21-year-old originally from Senegal, is considered symbolic of such change. Unlike most French professionals, who usually develop their talents in the structured confines of clubs, Sonko learned the game on the play grounds of Paris and was discovered in a three-on-three tournament.

"His game is very flashy, just like the Americans," said Arnaud Lecount, who covers basketball

for L'Equipe, the daily newspaper of French sports. The sport is not about to overtake soccer or tennis in national popularity. But, in response to soaring demand, the French government has financed the construction and renovation of about 1,000 playgrounds since 1991, many of them

equipped with baskethall boops "It seems that nowalitys, our young people want an activity that is less structured," said Joel Laine, an aide to Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac who specializes in sport. "Street basketball gives them

The playground phenomenon has been nudged -some might say showed -- along by the customary cast of international sporting-goods compa-

three-on-three outdoor competitions in France during the past year. In July, the NBA and the city of Paris will stage a three-on-three tournament on the Esplanade de Trocadero, directly across from

While interest in basketball and American popular culture cuts across social and economie boundaries in France, the game is particularly popular in Paris's poorer northern suburbs. Also the cradle of French rap music, these communities are home to a large number of black and North African immigrants. Their sense of identification with the black

American baskerball players is extraordinary," said Olivier Barbarin of the television network Canal Plus, which began televising the NBA in France in 1985. Its NBA ratings have quintupled in the past year. "Over here we often hear that blacks have

nothing to do but create problems," said Sonko, who is black, "We often feel like we are on the outside. It helps people to know that the blacks are talented for sport and succeeding in America."

Though the quality of basketball in France is improving - in April, Limoges was the surprise winner of the European elub championship - the NBA is clearly driving the phenomenon to a week. I want to go to Chicago Stadium.

greater degree than in European countries with

"I get bored watching French basketbali," Her-ba said. "It's not just that the skill level is differ-ent. It's the attitude. In the NBA, if a guy gets a chance, he dunks. In France, it's usually a lay-up. I don't need to see that."

French basketball players are not the only ones paling in comparison. In a national poll conducted in October for Cinq Majeur, a monthly basketball magazine, more than 300 French teenagers were asked to name their favorite athlete. Jordan was first with 31 percent of the vote, and Magic Johnson second with 16 percent, Jean-Pierre Papin, the French soccer star who plays for AC" Milan, finished third with 14 percent.

"It's certainly surprising, but it's not necessarily a bad sign," said Patrick Pabot, a senior executive with Reebok France. "Idolizing athletes from a foreign country only becomes dangerous if it ends up breaking down our country's way of life. But if it's only a superficial affection that helps them dream, I say why not?"

For the moment, the Jordans and Barkleys sur those dreams.

"I don't really care about seeing the Grand Canyon," said Florent Jaccard, one of those watching the NBA finals into the wee hours this

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The Suns' 'Mad Bomber' Has The Bulls Ducking for Cover

By Michael Wilbon Historyton Pust Senuce CHICAGO — The coaches of

the Chicago Bulls didn't need to zero in on Charles Barkley. They had seen enough of him over the years. So as they watched the end of the Western Conference playoffs, they wanted to see what else there was about the Phoenix Suns that even a great defensive team would find troublesome.

What they saw was too much of Dan Majerle, the trigger-happy swingman for whom no distance is

"That's what we feared the most," John Bach, the defensive specialist of the Bulls' assistant coaches, said on the eve of Wednesday night's third game of the Na-tional Basketball Association's championship series. "Majerle getting off, hitting five or six threes. It took him three games, but he showed why Phoenix is here and why we worried so much."

The Bulls were preoccupied with Barkley and Kevin Johnson in Game 3 and Maierle scorched them with six 3-point shots, then a two-pointer with 3.2 seconds left in the second cord; Majerle's eight 3-pointers in those shots regularly." Game 5 of the conference final against Seattle set a playoff record. who led the league in 3-point accu-

"token." On the day of the 1988 college draft, the fans assembled at point shooting is a science.

Phoenix Civic Plaza cheered the Majerle. Bach said, "is a mad selection of Tim Perry (at No. 7) comber. and booed loudly when Majerle, out of Central Michigan, was taken No. 14. Cotton Fitzsimmons, then the He stops eight feet behind the 3-

coach, ran to the microphone and said testily. "You people will rue the day you boold Dan Majerle." Two years later, he was being sive strategy in Game 4, "If he's... called "Thunder" Dan Majerle, a 6-foot, 5-inch (1.95-meter) player who had forced his way into the lineup by forcing his way to the basker. Then, as Barkley and Richard Dumas arrived and shooter Jeff Hornacek left, he got a new role: "Lightning" Dan Majerle. On the short list of best shooters in the NBA, Majerle is there, along with the names Jordan, Mullin, Price and Pierce. The Bulls still lead the cham-

worried to death about Majerle. Bach said the Bulls will employ the "Remora" defense against Majerte in Game 4, a Remora being "a fish that sticks to a shark."

pionship series, 2-1, but they're

A player like B.J. Armstrong, Five years ago, few outside racy at 45 percent, doesn't take the team and critics wondered whether, or 60 shots a season become 2line. To a player like Armstrong. 3-.

point are and fires. Feel it, shoot it. Armstrong? Opponents know _ when he's going to shoot a 3. Ma-, jerle? There's no rhyme or reason. This is why Bach said of the defengoing out to the logo" - and he pointed to the spot 35 feet from the .. basket - "we've got to find someone to go back there with him."

Majerle calls performances like Sunday's the result of "crazy range." Substitute "almost unlimited" for crazy and you get the drift.

The good Midwestern boy, a
Chicago Cubs fan, who grew up in Travers City, Michigan has come along way. He never got much publicity in high school because the Detroit newspapers don't cover high school sports as far north as

Travers City. His coming out party was the Olympics. "We hit it off from the very first-Bach calls Majerie, "someone day," he said of his relationship, with the conscience of a raulesnake with that team's coach, John overtime of a game the Suns won in the third overtime. The six 3-point-him. At some point, they began to play defense and all that stuff. and that's what he liked in a player, a strong work ethic. I'd do anything for him. I was very grateful he

picked me on his team When Suns officials wondered Michigan knew Majerle's name, shot at will. He pieks his spots, how Majerle felt about being booed. Then he made the 1988 Olympic inches behind the line. Another 50 on draft day, he told them to forget it. on draft day, he told them to forget it.
"They have no idea who I am," he said. "The only people I have to

prove anything to are Jerry Colangelo and Cotton for picking me." It didn't even take him long to establish a relationship with Barkiey, who can be hard on teammates.

Asked what he knew about Majerie before his trade to Phoenix, Barkley said, "Same thing I know now, that he was a big country bumpkin."

Retorted Majerle: "If anybody can talk about being a humpkin it's that boy from Leeds, Alabama." This is standard behavior. Bark-

ley and Majerie are close and pro-tective friends who would not hecaught dead saying good thingsabout each other in public. "Majeric tried hard to guard me," not that he had any success, I might add," Barkley said. "I didn't knew

he could shoot the ball as well has he has this year. But a couple of times in Philly, he tried to guard me. He tried so hard."

If Barkley were made to pay for all the food and beverage he consumed at Majerle's restaurant in Phoenix, his teammate would make. more off the court than on. Ace often as not, Barkley can be found at MAJERLE's, entertaining until closing. Fans line up outside in the swettering night, waiting for a ta-ble. The restaurant has already been expanded once. And nearby is the Phoenix Civic

Plaza, where Cotton Fitzsimmons told booing fans they would rue the day. They don't seem to recall that

ment that only all-scat stadiums be strapped by the current recession

· Allegations of bribery against

an additional five years for stadium the new second division club Perurebuilding, said Thomas Kurth, gia have been referred to a league head of UEFA's competitions de-disciplinary committee, the Italian

(UPI, Reuters, AP)

SIDELINES

Mansell Near Long Contract To Remain in Indy Car Racing

LONDON (Reuters) — Nigel Mansell, the reigning Formula One champion, said Wednesday he was in the final stages of completing a ng-term contract to remain in Indy car racing with the Newman-Hass team.

The length of the contract is one of the things we are still looking at and things are going so well in America that I expect to carry on racing there for a few more years," Mansell said. "But I must stress I have not signed

Ferlaino Resigns as President

Of Italian Soccer Team Napoli NAPLES (Reuters) - Corrado Ferlaino, who was arrested last month on corruption charges, has resigned as president of the Italian first division soccer club Napoli.

Ferlaino, 62, Italy's longest-serving first divi-sion president, is accused of bribing politicians to win his construction companies a share of hicrative rebuilding work after an earthquake A club statement said a board member, El-

lenio Gallo, 71, would temporarily replace Fer-

For the Record Kenyan athletics authorities said Wednesday

they have appealed to the IAAF's arbitration panel in seeking to have overtuned the four-year ban on cross-country star John Ngugi for refusing a drug test. (Renters)

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to sell 80 percent of its stake in the NFL's Miami Dolphins and half of Joe Robbie Stadium to two Palm Beach investors to pay off nearly \$50 million in estate taxes. (AP)

Angry U.S. Bike Team Says 'No' To Sharing Tour de France Slot By Samuel Abt

International Herald Tribune

PARIS --- Angered by an offer to share a slot in the Tour de France, the Subaru-Montgomery team based in the United States decided Wednesday to skip the bicycle race.

"The team feels it deserves a full squad in the race, not a share in a combined team," said Dan Osipow, a Subaru-Montgomery official, "We don't feel this would work very well for us and we are turning down the offer."

be a first in the history of the Tour, which began in 1903 and has been interrupted only by world wars. This year's race begins July 3. Subaru-Montgomery, which has competed

professionally in Europe the last two seasons, would have supplied four riders to a nine-man team. The five others would have come from the Chazal team based in France and the entry would have been cailed Chazal-Subaru.

Mixed teams are extremely rare in professional bicycling but not unknown even in the Tour, which admitted one a decade ago. Nei-ther Chazal nor Subaru-Montgomery has competed in the Tour before. Based on computer standings, the sport's top

14 teams were automatically chosen for the Tour in Mry and six "wildcard" entries were announced Tuesday. Among the wildcards were Subaru-Montgomery and Chazal, ranked 24th and 27th in the world.

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Chazal, also unhappy at having to share the slot, accepted nevertheless. It now will have to ride with the Kelme team from Spain if Kelme, ranked 29th, accepts the division that the American team rejected. "The offer is great and wonderful but disap-pointing," said Osipow, the Subaru-Montgom-

ery promotions manager, by telephone from San Francisco. "How could we share a team? How do you work with guys you don't know and have never raced with?" Despite such problems, the plan was de-lended Wednesday by Jean-Marie Leblanc, di-The rejection of an invitation was believed to

rector of operations for the Tour. There were three solutions: Eliminate Chazal, eliminate Subaru or share the spot and let both sponsors appear in the Tour," he said. "I

thought would help both teams."

Chazal had applied pressure all season to be selected for the three-week race, which is seen by 15 to 20 million fans along the side of the road and by nearly 100 million more on global television. Sponsors, especially those of French teams, consider their investments wasted if a team does not make the high-profile Tour.

"Lots of teams put pressure on me to get a wildcard," Leblanc said, "and I tried to make an objective decision. But Chazal is one of just four French teams and it would have been a bit difficult for the sport in France to have elimi-

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His Honor, the Rejectee

soon as someone's name is announced for an important job, peo-

ple start looking for a smoking gun. When Judge Lapchuck was on the short list for the Supreme Court

everybody in our neighborhood was surprised. "I wouldn't

have believed it of Lapchuck." Dandelion said. "He seemed like such a straight guy."
"You never

Buchwald really know about people until they are nominated for a major position in government," I said.

But he served on the bench for 18 years. If there was anything on him, they would have known about try." it by now."
"That's the unfortunate part. He

could have gotten away with what he was doing if it hadn't been for

the appointment."
"What was he doing?"
"Nobody knows, but it must have been pretty had if Clinton seriously considered his name for

"Can you get jail time for being a Supreme Court nominee?"

No, but it goes in your record and no one ever forgets it." "I know a woman wbo was

Court Denies 2d Request For Matisse Paintings

PARIS - A French court rejected Wednesday a Russian heiress's request to impound 2t Matisse paintings on show in Paris, pending the outcome of her claim to proper-

ty held by the Russian state. The court said the Soviet seizure by Irina Shebukin's father, Sergei. was carried out by a sovereign govnot intervene. It was Shchukin's

WASHINGTON — There was a time when being appointed by the president to a high position was a badge of honor. No more. As nominated to be the U. S. ambassador to Sri Lanka. Then they found out that not only did her maid not have a green card — she didn't have have a green card - she didn't have one, either. Her husband was so humiliated that he filed for di-

> "I should hope so. Where does Clinton find the people he appoints to high government positions?" "Probably from halfway houses," Dandelion said.

"What's interesting about being nominated for an important job and not getting it is that the public automatically assumes that you've donc something wrong. They don't know what you did, but if you strike out for a seat on the Supreme Court, you have to spend the rest of your life denying that you were the Boston Strangler."

"It's not just the Supreme Court. Ever since Clinton withdrew Lani Guinier's name for assistant attornev general there are reports of her holding up banks all over the coun-

"The FBI was around talking to me about Lapchuck."
"What did you tell them?"

"I told them what they wanted to hear. Lapchuck was a closet mush-room grower, be bad the British journal The Economist delivered to flew the flag on the Fourth of July. I have a great deal of respect for the FBI, and if they are trying to get the goods on Lapchuck. I am going to help them all I can."

"I admire you for sticking your neck out. I don't think that we should have anyone sitting on the Supreme Court who has to be in-

vestigated by the FBI."
"Do you believe that now he's on the short list the neighbors will ask

"Definitely. Who wants to live next door to somebody who wasn't the president's first choice?"

Well, in spite of people's anger that Lapchuck turned out to be a loose cannon, he is still living in the same house. The only difference in 1919 of the art collection huilt up now is that after all the unfavorable publicity surrounding his nomina-uon, no one is talking to him. Asked if be would let his name

be considered for another post in second attempt in four months to the government. Lapebuck replied, stop the paintings now part of a major Matisse exhibition in Paris. can refuse."

In Fiction, Finding the 'Voice' of Madness

By William Grimes

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Patrick McCabe is a

quiet man who lobbed quiet man who lobbed a small bombshell of a novel and is still reeling from the hlast. Two years ago, he was teaching learning-disabled students in a London grade school, and writing a strange tale at night. It was called "The Butcher Boy," and it was a haunting narrative, told in the voice of a small-town Irish boy who descends into madness and commits an act of unspeakable violence, foreshadowed in the first sentence of the book; "When I was a young lad 20 or 30 or 40 years ago I lived in a small town where they were all after me on account of what I done on Mrs. Nugent'

Lyrical and disturbing horrific and hi-larious, "The Butcher Boy" reaped a humper harvest of critical superlatives in Britain and Ireland. As a fictional creation, Francie Brady, the narrator, was placed in the same company as Huck Finn and Holden Caulfield. The novel's language - passionate, colloquial and rich was deemed worthy of Joyce.

The book won the 1992 Aer Lingus Prize, Ireland's top literary award, and wound up on the short list for the Booker Prize. McCabe wrote a stage version of the novel, "Frank Pig Says Hello," and it scored a hit at the Abbey Theatre in Dub-lin, then traveled to the Royal Court Theatre in London. Neil Jordan, the director of "The Crying Game," has optioned the novel for a film.

Perhaps best of all, "The Butcher Boy" got McCabe a free trip to Miami. for the annual book fair there. Like Francie. McCabe, who is 37, has fed on a rich diet of comic books and American popular culture. He has not lost the taste for it.

"] am addicted to 'Miami Vice,' truly,' he said in a recent interview at the offices of his American publisher, Fromm International. "But it turned out to be complete fiction, which was a hit of a disappointment. I expected to see bullets flying and major drug arresis on every corner.

Somewhere in McCabe's head there lurks a Francie-like appetite for lurid colors and nonstop action, a sneaking fondness for the cheap thrill, the instant gratification of modern advertising and consumer packaging. He is attuned to the poetry of the advertising slogan. He understands the iconic power of a candy bar wrapper. It is not surprising, somehow, that he seized on a grisly news item about a lurid small-town murder and transformed it into a compact, resonant tragedy.

"The first time I heard about the murder was at the age of 8, in a radio play that I listened to with my father," said McCabe. The subject was more complex than a



Author Patrick McCabe: "At that point, I couldn't be kept from the page."

crime, however. "I lost my father when I was very young, and his loss is enmeshed with my memories of this. The germ of the story was not a murder but a sense of loss and of damaged innocence."

The key to the book was Francie's voice, and McCabe discovered it late in the game. In an early version, the story was told by an omniscient narrator. "It was workmanlike and passable," said McCnbe, "but for the strength of feeling l had burning inside me, it was inadequate."

McCabe is a painstaking writer who finds his way slowly. "It's laborious, boring donkey work. If you saw some of the early drafts, you'd say: 'This guy thinks he's a writer?' He's useless."

McCabe put the book aside, then decided to junk it altogether and start from scratch, this time from inside the head of Francie Brady. "At that point, I couldn't be kept from the page," he said. Uncharacteristically, the writing went forward at lightning speed, toward a destination that McCabe himself found a little mysterious.

"When I finished I thought it was so outlandish that no one would read it." When a reporter suggested that "The Butcher Boy," told through the psychical-ly warped consciousness of Francie, violated several cardinal principles of novel writing laid down by Henry James, McCabe scoffed. "That's a bunch of junk. class-based arrogant nonsense. I mean, James left America, felt there was nothing to write about because it didn't have dukes and earls. I'm sure be would criticize, and I'm sure I wouldn't care."

For McCabe, the model is Joyce, particularly "Duhliners." "The sheer hunger in everything Joyce has written, the straining toward the light, that keeps you honest in the business of writing," he said.

McCabe grew up in Clones, a town of 2,000 in County Monaghan, near the bor-der with Northern Ireland. It is precisely the kind of small town that he uses as a setting for "The Butcher Boy," and for his first two novels, "Music on Clinton Street" and "Carn."

"I loved the place, because I felt so much a part of everything, which is something that can be very valuable for a writer. Far from feeling repressed or held back, I couldn't bear the thought of living anyplace else until I was 14 or 15, when my father died and other circumstances took over. I still have an almost hysterical attachment to the place."

Clones forced McCabe to observe closely and listen hard. As determining influences on his writing, McCabe cited the deep-rooted patterns of life in Ireland's small towns, where everything becomes a significant transaction," and the persis-tence of the oral tradition. At the same time, the local movie theater served up rich helpings of American films. Comic books provided a pantheon of superheroes.

"If you're reared in a small town, there's

"If you're reared in a small town, there's a longing for the panorama and nonstop phantasmagoria of the big city. In my case it was satisfied by American pop culture."

After attending local schools, McCabe carned a degree from a teacher's training college. At night he wrote. In 1979, a short story of his appeared in The Irish Press and won a literary prize. "As you do when you're youngish, you think, 'This is it.' And then you disappear for 10 years."

McCabe struggled along, teaching school by day and writing by night. He and his wife Margot, a painter, had two daughters. He published "Music on Clinton Street," which he described as "a traditional small-Irish-town rites-of-passage

tional small-Irish-town rites-of-passage book." It sold 20 copies. He did better with "Carn," about a border town that falls apart when the troubles in Northern Ireland begin. In retrospect, McCabe says, "I think I didn't have the guts then to let

In "The Butcher Boy," McCabe let loose. The unnamed town of the novel is Francie's heaven and hell. In his early days, playing with his best friend by the riverside, it is a pocket-sized universe swarming with ecstatic sensations. But as Francie's drunken father spirals downward, and his mother slips into madness, unyielding social pressures of small-town life press down on Francie. Doors that

were open begin to close, with a soft click.

"A paranoid is someone who knows a little of what's going on," said McCabe.
"Francie Brady, he's very tuned into the nuances of conversation and exchange, and this leads inexorably to explosions of

rage."
The small hurts and rejections build. Francie reaches out, then lashes out. And in the end, he makes the town pay the price. "Up until the last three-month period of writing I didn't know what the character was going to do, but at the end, the pen was running along by itself, 10 pages a day. The book wrote itself."

Elton John Heeds Faxes Of Disappointed Fans

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Elson John, who bolted Tel Aviv early Wednesday in a fit of pique after having to wait more than an hour to get through customs at Ben-Gurion International Airport and facing aggressive photogra-phers at a Tel Aviv hotel, has had a ... change of heart. After a shower of faxes from disappointed fans and a personal appeal by the British ambassador to Israel, Andrew Burn, John has rescheduled his canceled Wednesday concert to Thursday

Israelis didn't give Bob Dylan any VIP treatment either. Having put up with the indignities of waiting in line at Ben-Gurion airport customs and going unrecognized at his Tel Aviv botel, the singer spent a day touring Israel by van and bike to relax before his three-concert tour.

Britain's royals almost all me this year's Royal Ascot races. The Queen Mother, 92, canceled her appearance on Wednesday, for the third day in a row. A spokesman said. "At her age she felt she would give it a miss and watch it on television." Prince Charles stayed away because of a back injury and Prin-cess Diana decided to take her sons Prince William and Prince Harry to hunch in London. And Princess Anne nearly didn't get in. On Tues-Anne nearly didn't get in. On Tuesz day an overzealous guard wouldn't let her through the gate. "Well, she was wearing dark glasses, wasn't, she? I didn't recognize her straight away," said Eric Petheridge, the guard. The queen's horse, Enhantmonic, meanwhile, failed to wing place or show in the Prince of place or show in the Prince of Wales Stakes race.

Maria Maples and her former manager, Clauck Jones, are trying to kiss and make up. Jones was recently indicated for stealing Maples's shoes following her testimony before a grandjury. "If he agrees to get therapy and stay away from her, yes, she will support his motion to dismiss the indictment against him," confirms Maples's attorney,

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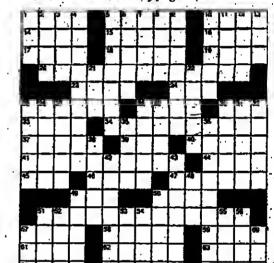
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